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Milk fears create new food safety crisis

Michael White Political Editor

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HR Covernment was last night enmeshed in an-other escalating food safety crisis after insisting there was no cause for alarm over powdered baby milk -and therefore no need to identify brands thought to contain potentially harmful chemicals. Against the background of the running battle over beef, it was not a formula designed to quell concern. Consumer groups and opposition MPs demanded more information.

research suggesting damage to human fertility and even cancers could arise from phthal-ates in some milks. This group of chemicals is common in levels well below European Union safety standards.
The Government's Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Dr Jeremy Metters, issued a stateplastic packaging, though at levels well below European

'Mothers will find this frightening. They have a right to know the facts, so that they can choose milk that

 Dr John Chisholm of BMA's GPs committee

ment saying: "The Depart-ment of Health has seen the papers and there is no cause for alarm. Mothers should continue to use the infant for-

normal sense of that word for habies, for their parents and for the general public." He refused to identify

in the research. "If there was a risk, we would name them ... this is not a risk situation. It is undesirable. We are dealing with it. There is no need to name the brand."

His insistence that the information on which media reports are based was pub-lished in his department's food safety bulletin two months ago did not reassure critics: Labour and Liberal Democrat spokesmen argued that the scare again raised the need for an independent food standards agency out of the Ministry of Agriculture's (MAFF) producer-dominated reach. Labour farms spokes-

the brand' Tim Boswell,

Agriculture Minister

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indefensible."
Shadow health spokesman

isters of a familiar combina-tion of "arrogance and man Gavin Strang said:

ing indication that they have still not learned the lesson of the beef scare." John Chisholm, deputy

chairman of the British Medical Association GPs' commit this very frightening. They have a right to know the facts, so that they can choose milk that is safe."

There are four main manufacturers, Cow & Gate, Nestlé, Farley and Milupa, though not all make powdered milk for the UK market and some may also be involved in "own brand" products for the big supermarkets — which yes-terday rushed to insist their

brands were safe. A Sainsbury spokesman said: "We conducted tests into this 18 months ago and have complete confidence in our product." Boots called for more information and cau-

tioned against identifying

UK slips in world league

Sarah Ryle and Michael White

OHN Major's aillast night sus-tained another pre-election body blow when an exhaustive study revealed that Britain has been overtaken by Chile and Finland as 17 years of Thatcherite economic medicine fails to stor the slide down the global com-

petitiveness league table. The United Kingdom fell from 15th to 19th place this year on the international scoreboard, behind four other members of the Group of Seven major industrial nations — the United States,

Japan, Germany and Canada. Seven years ago, Britain held 11th place in the league, according to the International Institute for Management Deelopment's new World Com-

petitiveness Yearbook. Most significantly for Tony Blair and Gordon Brown, as the Labour Party seeks to per-suade voters that its emphasis on education and training can make a real difference to the economy, is the international institute's conclusion that one of Britain's key weaker record on investment in people held it back.

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On the "people" criterion, Britain comes 27th out of 46 countries - compared with 18th in 1989. This criterion is generally regarded as a significant pointer to long term

growth potential.
The institute's claims will ters who are accustomed to disparaging international reports which, they say, fail to acknowledge underlying

improvements.
But, with Europe's economy as a whole again faltering, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Kenneth Clarke, is set

o revise downwards his bullish 3 per cent growth forecast

In the new study — which a rival report from the institute's former partner, the World Economic Forum will challenge on Thursday --countries are ranked on hun-dreds of criteria ranging from

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employment to public trust in bankers. Despite a relatively good score in some sectors, including technology and tele-

gium in the past year, Britain is now trailing many of the Asian "Tiger" economies on a scoreboard which was again headed by the United States. Yet Conservative ministers look to Asia and America for

inspiration — not to Europe with its Social Chapter costs. High-cost Germany and Switzerland both fell four



rose from 31st place in 1995 to 26th, while Taiwan slipped last (46th), while Latin Ameri-ca's star economy, Chile,

Yesterday the director of the institute report, Professor Stephane Garelli, said that despite reduced unemployment and improved techonology and finance in Britain, "none of these successes seems to be sufficient to constitute a

"This uneven development, over a period of many years have a lower standard of liv-ing. Consequently, it has to reassess the viability of its social model and, ultimately, the role of the state.

Even Britain's traditional pride in its entrepreneurship suffered a heavy blow as the institute reported that the country was placed only 23rd places to 10th and 9th, the in- Turn to page 3, column 1

Yeltsin agrees ceasefire with Chechen rebels

Propaganda coup boosts Russian president's election campaign

David Hearst in Moscow

ORIS YELTSIN last night pulled off the big-gest stunt of his presidential election campaign, by signing a ceasefire deal with the Chechen rebel leader. Zelimkhan Yandarbiyev.

A day of high drama, which started with the bizarre spectacle of Mr Yandarbiyev and his armed bodyguards being taken on a presidential plane to Moscow, ended with a tri-

umphant declaration.
"We have resolved the key problem of peace in Che-chenia. This is an historic day, an historic moment," President Yeltsin declared after two hours of talks.

The deal, signed by Mr Yan-darbiyev and the Russian prime minister, Viktor Chernomyrdin, commits both sides to "end military activ-ity" in Chechenia from midnight on June 1.
Two previous ceasefire dec-larations in the 18 months of

fighting have failed to stop a war which has cost more than 40,000 lives and humiliated the Russian army. But this could well be the decisive mocould well be the decisive mo-ment of Mr Yeltsin's cam-paign — finally calling a halt to the most unpopular act of his presidency, the sending of Russian troops into Chechenia. Yesterday's deal provides for an exchange of prisoners within two weeks. Few other details were released, which



Chechen rebel leader Zelimkhan Yandarbiyev (second from left) at yesterday's ceasefire falks PHOTOGRAPH: YURI KADORNOV

left Mr Yeltsin's main opponents, the Communist Party, economic programme, and floundering. The news of the forced Valentin Kuptsov, one accord drowned out the publi- of the party's leaders into a General Pavel Grachev, de-

deal leave open the future status of the breakaway republic and the question of derers and professional who leads it — the rebels or the present Moscow-backed incapacitated." government of Doku Zavgayev, who is a bitter rival of Mr Yandarbiyev.

Mr Yandarnyev.
Mr Zavgayev attended yesterday's talks. The rebels,
who had in the past refused to
meet him, agreed to view him
as a member of the Russian

Mr Yandarbiyev, a fervent Chechen separatist, ruled out talks on the Chechen claim to independence by saving: "We don't have a problem of status. We have a problem of settling mutual relations."

statement welcoming the nied splits with Mr Yeitsin initiative.

The limited terms of the who can formulate the position better than our own president who saidbandits, mur-

mcapechated.

But one "bandit" was yesterday accorded red carpet treatment by the Russian president, who received Mr Yandarbiyev and his delega-tion of five in the Kremlin banquet hall.

After the deal, the delegation, most of them still wear-

ing camouflage jackets, though having left their weapons at the airport, were due to be taken to a secret KGB residence in Moscow. However, Chechen rivalries

mean there is a high risk of the deal falling apart in the months to come.

Inside

The brother of the alleged Unabomber has told of his agonising decision to turn him in to ; the US authorities to stop more deaths.

World News Albanian opposition parties have called on supporters to take to the streets after claims of intimidation during Sunday's election.

A left-of-centre think tank has come out in support of European Monetary Union which it says will help to keep interest rates low.

Leicester City secured their return to the Premiership. by beating Crystal Palace in the last seconds of the play-off final.



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New PM stands in a revolving door



Suzanne Goldenberg

IS opening parliamentary address was unmis-takably a sign that even he believed he was destined to return to the opposition benches: "Prime minister." began Atal Bihari Vajpayee
... except that Mr Vajpayee is

supposed to be the prime At least until today, when his 13-day-old government of Hindu nationalists faces a confidence vote in India's

parliament. Many new MPs still have not figured out where to sit in the majestic semi-circular Lok Sabha, or parliament —a confusion that will probably worsen after today's allchange. Sworn enemies glared at each other at close quarters as the confidence de-

bate got under way. Phoolan Devi, the Bandit Queen who achieved notoriety for the murder of a couple of dozen of her oppressors, stared wide-eyed at the lawlessness around her. Which was a change from last week's oath-taking when the povice

MP nodded off to sleep. Mr Vajpayee's Bharatiya Janata Party MPs, three with the saffron robes and matted hair of the Hindu holyman, a Hindu nun from the erotic sculpture town of Khaiuraho. and 10 with orange scarves in obelsance to the party's hardline Hindu nationalism. squirmed in discomfort at their leader's slip.

Mr Vajpayee struggled on, reminiscing about the days of Jawaharlal Nehru, India's first prime minister, the anniversary of whose death was observed yesterday, "I used to sit on the opposite side." he recalled.

"Don't worry, you'll be back there soon," came the riposte. Mr Vajpayee fought back, accusing the Congress Party. which lost this month's elec tion, and the United Front alliance of regional and leftwing parties, of ganging up on his

Not ruddy likely

Review

Anne Karpf

Brussels Goes Bananes

HAT, pray, is a mock-umentary? Not, it seems, just a docu-

mentary that mocks (as every second one today does). No.

this is where the presenter as-

people "in character", as Mike

With its blending of the true

sumes some role — often an

anorak or nerdy nebbish —

and the contrived, it also seems to be the genre of the

moment: John Shuttleworth,

Chris Morris (whatever hap-

pened to him?), Mark Thomas

have all done it. The 1980s had

In this oddball but funny ex-

ample, Tom Lenaerts and Michel de Vlieger, a pair of amusing Belgian improvisa

tional actors, came to London to tease out the natives' atti-

tudes to the EU. With their

Belgian equivalent of Euro-trash's Jean-Paul Gaultier

Gathering interviews on

eliciting British reactions to

Europe — most of the people they spoke to obligingly

brought out their Sounding Off About Europe shtick —

humourlessness.
First, the Belgians floated

demonstrated British

the street, they did succeed in

and Antoine de Caunes wearing a (metaphorical) skirt, and cocking a Euro

snook at the English.

exaggerated Belgianness and campruses, they sound like a

their factions: the post-post-

modern 1990s have their

mockumentaries.

Leigh would say.

minority government. For the last fortnight, MPs from all parties have been virtual prisoners at government guest houses in New Delhi, closely chaperoned by party whips to ensure they do not succumb to the blandishments of cash and ministerial portfolios dangled in front of them by the enemy

mp. "That is not our style, to horsetrade, and to buy and sell MPs," Mr Vajpayee said. "Ask your parliamentary affairs minister. He will tell you," the opposition

responded. Mr Vajpayee insisted voters had wanted a clear-out of the old and corrupt Congress gov-ernment, and he tried to convince his accusers that his party was not prejudiced against Muslims and low-caste Hindus.

But in the end, it was not enough. "Democracy is a game of numbers, and the numbers were not on our side We tried," he said with practiced humility.

Not that he found any sym-pathy. A Congress leader cruelly brought up Mr Vajpayee's single status. "You gave up your virginity for a marriage party in which the bride was missing." he yelled The proceedings were tele-

vised live, and though they competed with the India vs England cricket, many Delhiites were glued to their

Mr Vajpayee's enemies were determined to shoo his government out as quickly as possible. "Let's finish it today," they crowed. Still, there was time for the ritual thumping of desks and bellows of outraged MPs.
A newly inducted MP from

Bihar with 38 criminal charges against him told heck-lers: "I'll break your teeth be-fore I see you form the

The Speaker declared: "Tm on my legs, I'm on my legs." And Mamata Bannerjee, a Congress MP from West Bengal, sustained a steady, though unintelligible, howl throughout several hours of

Mr Vajpayee soldiered on until evening, but the battle was lost. He sat down so abruptly at the end, it took a minute for MPs to realise it

was over.

And by lunchtime today it probably will be.

ing on straight bananas be-

cause they were tastier. To

most of their interviewees,

this just proved the silliness

own silliness in believing it).

Next, the Belgians proposed a Euro Penfriend Programme

in which citizens of one European country would get mone tary reward for correspond-

ing at least a dozen times with

the citizen of another. And finally they suggested a three-month compulsory exchange,

whereby an English barber should be forced to make a

English butcher with a Ger-

man, and so on.

swap with a French barber, an

Lenaerts and de Vlieger have been doing fictional doc-umentaries for Belgian TV for

some years now, impersonat-ing civic officials and interact

ing with ordinary punters to satirise bureaucracy. Here

they also managed pithily to convey the British way with foreign languages. One wom-

cais?", but then translated it

as "Pleased to meet you". Nat-urally Tom (or was it Michel?) thanked her and bid her fare-well with "Parlez-vous

In between, one of the duo

made phone calls to his own

putative British penpal, Mar-gery who (we could deduce

from his replies) fielded him

an excruciating succession of

shared, empathetically, in his abasement, much in the man-ner of the Robert de Niro char-

acter in The King of Comedy.

Meanwhile, though Brus-

sels Goes Bananas was rarely hysterical, it did leave one's face fairly creased in smiles.

far-fetched rebuffs. We

an could recall a French

phrase, "Parlez-vous fran-

Brussels (rather than their



ONLY one person can claim to have been close to Theodore (above). Kaczynski, the man sitting in a cell in

Helena, Montana, suspected of being the Unabomber who carried out nearly 18 years of parcel bombings across America in which three people were killed and 23 injured. His younger

brother, David, travelled the roads and camped in the bush with the reclusive and always friendless sibling he idolised. In the early 1980s, David Kaczynski seemed to be leaning towards the hermit's life that claimed his mathematician

to the remote Christmas Mountains of West Texas, where he bought 30 acres. For years, he worked summers in the Chicago area and spent

brother. He retreated

winters in a dug-out on the Texas property

But David did have the odd friend. One was Juan Sanchez Arreola, a Mexican field hand (right, with David). Mr Sanchez wrote to Ted asking for money to pay medical bills. Thus began a correspondence that brought a rare touch of warmth to the life of Ted Kaczynski.

It was Mr Sanchez, too, who helped to put David's life on a course different from his brother's: he encouraged David to write to the highschool friend he later married.

Six weeks after Ted's arrest, David Kaczynski spoke to David Johnston and Janny Scott of the New York Times in defence of the brother he turned in



Don't kill my brother'

REAKING his pub-lic silence, David scribed in an interview how he came to the "horrible" realisation that his older brother. Theodore, could be the Unabomber. He recounted his anguished decision to turn from being lost, and he pleaded for his brother — if convicted — to be spared the Parlez-vous . . .? death penalty.

David Kaczynski recalled

how, at first, he had resisted his wife's suggestions last summer that Ted might be the Unabomber. When she persuaded him to read the Un-abomber's 35,000-word manifesto on the Internet, he was

shocked. Dismay turned to anger when David and his wife, Linda Patrik, realised they might unwittingly have helped finance two of the Unabomber's fatal attacks by agreeing to two requests Ted made for money, each about

two months before a bombing.
David would not say
whether he believes his
brother is guilty. But he said
his belief that he had acted properly had been confirmed by events since February, when he provided Ted's iden-

tity to the government. He was speaking out now in the hope that a fuller understanding of his brother would humanise a figure who he said had been wrongly de-picted as an evil genius who had lashed out at the technological world he abhorred.
By agreeing to talk now, he said, he might help save his brother's life.

"I think the interests of justice are best served in this case by the truth, and I think that truth from my point of view is that Ted has been a disturbed person for a long time and he's gotten more dis-turbed. It serves no one's interest to put him to death."
So far, Ted Kaczynski, a Harvard-trained mathemati-

April 3, has not been charged and troubled relationships, with any of the Unabomber on the evolution of his ideas, crimes. He is being held in a and even on the sources of enough like him that I was tential case," David said. Montana jail on federal charges of possessing explo-sive components. But based on the evidence discovered in his mountain cabin, police said, federal prosecutors are preparing to charge him with cel bombings, which killed three people and injured 23.

David said he had been closer than anyone to his brother until Ted angrily spurned him in 1989 for decid-

ing to get married. David, a social worker aged



Ted Kaczynski: 'it serves no one's interest to put him to death'

46 from Schenectady, New York, said he had been influenced by Ted's uncompromis-ing intellect, his love of wild places, his compassion for children, even his startling moments of kindness. of his 54-year-old brother and shed new light on Ted's per-

money that allowed him to travel around the country. David said part of his scure even to him, partly be-

cause of Ted's extremely pri-

vate nature. in Ted's life — from admiring younger brother to companion in the wilderness, and, eventually, bewildered victim of his brother's inexplicable

rages and rejection. He said he had paid little attention to the Unabomber case until last year and had not suspected that his brother might be the long-sought serial bomber until the New York Times and the Washing-ton Post financed the publication of the bomber's manifesto in the Washington Post

last September. At first, David had ill-defined inklings: the places to which the Unabomber had been linked seemed vaguely familiar. His wife Linda, who had

never met Ted, was the first to mention the possibility, initially as a joke.

Then in the summer of 1995, while on holiday in Paris. Linda read a surge of news accounts about the Unabomber. Her questions about Ted grew more serious, and she told David her suspicions.
The manifesto was published on September 19, but
David put off reading it be-

cause of visits by relatives. Eventually, in early Octo-ber, David and Linda went to a library at Union College, in Schenectady, where Linda teaches philosophy, where they found and read the introductory section of the manu-script on the Internet. "But Linda, she was looking at my face when I was reading those slx pages," David said. "My jaw dropped." How did he feel? "Chills, I

think. Some anger. I was pre-pared to read the manifesto cian who was arrested on sonality, mental problems, and be able to dismiss any really upset." Later, when he read the full

text of the manifesto, David's dread deepened. He wrote to Ted. 'I told him that I regretted very much the strain in our relationship and said I But Ted "wrote back that the very suggestion made him

David agonised over what to do next. "One concern was if, God forbid, I were in a position to prevent more lives from being lost, I couldn't do otherwise. The other concern was for Ted himself, his psy-chological wellbeing."

David and Linda approached Susan Swanson, an old friend from Chicago who was a private investigator. Then David and Linda

found old letters by Ted that seemed to match the prose style of the Unabomber "certain kinds of phrases" with epithets mixed in. Ted seemed to fit the FBI's profile an angry academic.

But in some ways, Ted and the Unabomber seemed mismatched. The Unabomber de-rided leftists — a subject that David had never known to be important to Ted. David knew his brother had taken bus trips, but he seemed to dislike travel and could not easily afford the long bus rides to the cities in Northern

California from which some

concluded there was a significant chance he was the author. David felt "com-pelled" to contact the authorities.

ples of Ted's writing, analysts

Within days, the ring began to close. Undercover agents staked out Ted's cabin. Others interviewed bus determine whether Ted's travels had coincided with the postmarks on the parcel

David visited his mother and confessed his suspicions. "The first thing she did was to hug me for what I'd been going through." Then she voiced disbelief: "It couldn't be Ted." Then she said. "You could be right." David said her first concern had been for him. "I believe she knew me old friend from Chicago who was a private investigator. But in January, after com"We went to her first asking paring the manifesto to samBut in January, after comwell enough. I did not do this lightly."—New York Times. well enough. I did not do this

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One in 10 in homeless hostels has degree

Education Correspondent

DEGREE has proved a passport to cardboard city for hundreds of graduates, according to a survey published yesterday by London's biggest organisation for the

The St Mungo Association found that one in 10 of its adult residents in hostels, care homes and halfway houses had a degree.

A further 10 per cent were educated to A level standard and a further 24 per cent had O levels or GCSEs.

nearly 1,000 people a night in 50 hostels and houses, be-

lieves its residents are repre-sentative of the homeless pop-More than 30,000 people in England as a whole are classi-

fled as homeless by local authorities.
"Almost half of those surveyed had an academic qualification, refuting the image of homeless people being ill-edu-cated." said Charles Fraser,

the association's director. coming on to the jobs market Most had slept rough and less than a quarter of these graduates had paid jobs. More than half of homeless graduates still cited office or profesto compete with those already looking for work.

sional work rather than man-ual work as their main occupation.

St Mungo's, which houses

shown they have the brain power to do them." A third of homeless people had health problems but many also came up against a number of practi-cal difficulties caused by prej-udice from employers over living in a hostel. Numbers of graduates have soared since the late 1980s

when employers complained there were not enough.

The latest survey by the Association of Graduate Careers Advisory Services found the total of students graduating rose 42.5 per cent between 1992 and 1994 — an extra 22,000 graduates a year

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"I won't turn down a commission because I don't like the art. I never say, "That's a crap idea". I'm not like a high judge of what will be or won't be art because it's not really my place'

 Michael Smith on the craft behind art



Designer's art keeps the more famous afloat

lan Katz

ICHAEL SMITH has produced some of the most talked about pieces of British modern art. His work has been shown in the Tate in London, the Pompidou in Paris, and a host of galleries around the world. It is un-likely you will have heard of him, however.

Mr Smith only makes the stuff, you see. Describing himself as a "designer and fabricator", the 35-year-old Londoner is the unsung craftsman behind artists including Damien Hirst, Mona Hatoum and Marcus Taylor. They bring him their ideas; he turns them

York exhibition, Mr Smith built the 12 glass and steel tanks that house two slicedup cows in the sculpture Some Comfort Gained from the Acceptance of Inherent Lives in Everything. He also built a contraption which makes two baives of a pig move to and fro like a

bacon slicer.
"The pig's moving slower now," be observes from his vantage point between a bo-vine neck and a tank full of greyish intestines. "We had problems with the motor." In the case of the pig sculpture, he explains, Hirst's brief was simple but the logistics were night-marish. Each tank contain-ing half a pig weighed 2% tons and the speed of move-ment had to be regulated to

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mal sculptures as well as other works by the Turner prizewinner such as his medicine cabinets and the mechanisms for his recent enthusiasm, spin paintings.

He has also made stainless steel refrigerators for Taylor, metallic beds for Hatoum and parts of works for the painters Gary Hume and Ian Davenport. He sees nothing odd in the idea of artists farming out the manufacture of

their works.
"Since the Revaissance people have had other people make their work for them in one way or another. Henry Moore didn't cast all those bronze sculptures. Rodin didn't cast The Gates of Hell. Reynolds his own work — "small obavoid creating waves in the

sists he does not consider his role in designing and building sculptures a form of art. "What I'm doing is solving problems of design and problems of aesthetics within a set of parameters, and that's like

architecture."

Brought up on a Suffolk farm, Mr Smith enjoyed making things from an early age. After leaving school he worked in California, designing irrigation systems for orange groves for five years, before en-

He has worked with Hirst didn't paint all his own for six years, producing the vitrines for most of his animal sculptures as well as trained artist, Mr Smith in-

Four years ago, however, he decided to concentrate on his growing sideline of producing sculptures for other artists. "I wanted to do something that was ulti-mately more sustainable. I was more interested in making a living than mak-ing art."

These days he runs a 6,000 square foot workshop in south-east London employing up to six people. He has produced work for at least 50 artists, along the way amassing an eclectic body of expertise on subects from fluid dynamics to electronics.

fabricators are going to say: 'What do you want to

Though he believes that the works he constructs 'definitely have a pawprint on them", he insists he does not resent the fact that he receives little or no public credit for his work. Only occasionally, he says, does he have to suppress

do that for"?"

the artist inside him. He would not turn down a commission because he does not like the art. "I never say "That's a crap idea'. I'm not like a high judge of what will be or won't be art because it's not

really my place." He insists he doesn't

tual art are quick to use the costliness of its production to attack it, he says.

After the Hirst exhibition is dismantled this month,

Is dismantled this month, he will belp to reassemble his works for their new owners, he says, but he does not consider himself under any obligation to maintain them. "They don't come with a 6,000 mile service or anything like that." like that."

His next big project, still to be finalised, is a 15ft glass corridor for Marcus Taylor. It will protrude from a derelict London building. First, though, he must build someone a kitchen. "It's quite nice to make something that Artists prefer using him He insists he doesn't people are going to use as to general purpose crafts- make "lots of money" but opposed to just see."

Toy gun in 'rage' attack

Gary Younge

MAN was held up with a toy gun after a row at a busy intersection

a busy intersection near Cambridge in the latest outbreak of road rage.

The gun was held to the man's head and he was verbally threatened as his wife looked on. He was allowed to drive away, terrified by the incident, which took place only a week after the road rage kiiling of Stephen Cameron at Swanley, Kent.

The man, who has not been named, was travelling with his wife when a Ford Sierra, carrying four people, drove towards them the wrong way along a road junction stiproad at Milton, Cambridge shire, police said yesterday.

"The woman sounded the

"The woman sounded the horn as a warning and stopped the car," a police spokesman said. "Her husband got out to speak with the driver, who opened his door and produced something that looked like 3 handgun. He put it to the head of the man, and

said something to him." The couple drove to their home in St Neots and phoned police, said the spokesman. Later a car was stopped by Essex police on the M11, where the toy was found.

Four people were taken into custody, police said. Two women were later released, and two men, aged 24 and 17, were detained and taken to a Cambridge police station for questioning.
Meanwhile, Kent police,

who yesterday renewed their appeals for anyone shielding the killer of Stephen Cameron to come forward, drafted in extra detectives to deal with hundreds of calls from the public offering information. Detective Superintendent

John Grace, leading the investigation, said that "quite a fight" had broken out between Mr Cameron, aged 21, and his attacker, who could have been visibly bruised in

some way.

"From the witnesses' descriptions of this, it is possible that the offender may well have some minor injury, such as bruising," he added.
Police believe that if the

man was injured his family and friends may have noticed. The murder squad, based at Dartford, are continuing the task of tracing almost 17,500 L-registered Land Rover Discovery vehicles, as well as sifting through dozens of names of possible suspects.

Redwood turns up heat on beef

'Renegotiation of relations with Europe welcome and necessary'

Michael White Political Editor

OHN Redwood last night turned up the pressure on John Major's Cabinet not to retreat on its insistence that Britain must get a deal to resolve the beef crisis before ministers drop their policy of non-co-operation with the European Union.

Mr Redwood concentrated

"Farmers and people in the meat business would expect a timetable for the remaining threat to their jobs and businesses to be lifted before the Government resumes normal co-operation with Europe," he said during a tour of the West Country.

Like many Euro-sceptics

European Union.

The former Tory leadership challenger's latest intervention came as ministers meet today to organise means of increasing the rate at which up to a million older cattle are slaughtered in the next 12 months in order to convince consumers across the EU that BSE will be eradicated from Pattern bards.

They will concentrate on creating extra cold storage capacity, in converted grain stores, to enable more cattle than the current maximum of stores, to enable more cattle ministers to make good their promise to table proposals on fishing, beef, the powers of the European Court, subsidiarity—all sensitive "feder-like". alist" issues. "This amounts

to a renegotiation of our rela-tions with Europe. It is both

welcome and necessary."
Rightwing and tabloid suspicions that, despite recent sabre-rattling, the Cabinet still hopes to strike a reasonable deal with Europe were on the politics, not the rekindled yesterday by Roger Freeman, the junior cabinet minister heading the drive to get the beef cull running

smoothly.
On Radio 4's World at One. he confirmed that ministers want an early end to the ban on British beef byproduct ex-ports — probably on June 4 but do not expect a firm date for finally ending the crisis. "We have said we want a framework. We don't want a letailed timetable that inev-

itably by a certain date cer-tain things must happen."

Both the EU Commission President, Jacques Santer, and Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, made similar remarks on Sunday, though the Foreign Secretary also spoke of "putting into place an agreed strategy which will provide for the lifting of the rest of the ban and the ques-tions of timetable obviously will be part of these discussions."

Ironically, Mr Freeman, Chancellor of the Duchy of ancaster, is the first British minister to attend EU negotia tions since the non-co-operation move was announced.

The situation does not amount to a ministerial split at this stage. Mr Redwood's use of the word timetable, as distinct from the Govern-ment's preference for frame work, reflects the hardliners belief that the fault lay in Brussels, not in the mishan-dling of the beef crisis until John Major set up two new cabinet committees — one chaired by himself, one by Mr

Freeman — last week.
Mr Freeman's inter-departmental committee will today get to grips with the bottle-necks in the nine rendering plants and 42 abattoirs designated for the scheme. The rendering plants can only cope with 25,000 carcasses a week, hence the need for

more cold storage. Ministers are anxious that the EU realises the scale of what is being done to cull BSE-tainted herds and older cattle. In return they want gradual reacceptance of herds with no history of BSE and of



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World study shows Britain falling behind its competitors

in the management category

this year.
Coincidentally, in a separate report published today, the think-tank Demos argued that the image of the 1980s entrepreneur "young, white, male, swashbuckling and

after seven years when it was produced jointly with the in-fluential Geneva-based World Economic Forum.

The latest findings prousing macho management voked an immediate row be-styles", is outdated and poten-tially dangerous. ally dangerous.

The authors called for a institute's research. Under new approach to management the institute's new calculations, based on employee motivations, based on 225 criteria in eatly improve its ranking.

productivity. Last night's sur-vey was the first to be pub-lished solely by the institute of the published solely by the published solely by the institute of the published solely by the published solely b Report had placed the UK 18th in 1995.

A spokeswoman for the forum, whose competitiveness report is out on Thursday, said: "Our report is substantially different,"
suggesting that the UK might
not do as badly in its scoring
this year, and is likely to mod-

The institute warned that the diverse performance of European Union member tary union, as it reported that smaller nations were beginning to outshine bigger countries like Germany about which it is also gloomy

"This trend will put severe constraints on the Maastricht objectives to achieve unity, or will call for more flexible goals," Professor Garelli



A new breed of anti-booze lawyer has evolved to take advantage of the crackdown. "I sue bars," explains Alfred Sennedella III. "If you serve someone to the point of intoxication and beyond, if you put someone on the road that does injury, I will take your insurance protection, your liquor licence, your establishment, your savings, your money, your home."

Jonathan Freedland G2 cover story

Opening another can of worms

precedes the real . minerals, sugar and Typical ingredients: powder, vegetable oils. 50ya

The levels of the phthelates found in some brands of beby milk formula are elightly above the Tolerable Daily Intaka.
The TDI is fixed at one hundreth of the lowest level at which the chemical is thought to be potentially harmful.

Breast versus bottle

milk) giving a unique mixture of protein.

Clear, oily liquids used to soften plastics, the are now very widespread in the environment. They have been found to shrink the testes



The 5 million ton plastic peril in food

Tim Radford reports on the unknown effects of phthalates, whose toxic properties have been worrying environmentalists for about 10 years

sulphate, zinc sulphate.

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friendly on vegetables for sale. The label had been chemical called a phthalate to make it stick to the plastic film that protected them.

chemicals have been around for as long as polyvinylchloride (PVC) which is rigid unless treated with something to make it plastic, and about half of all the PVC on the planet has been plasticised with a phthalate. John Emsley, author of The Consumer's Good Chemical Guide, says a plasticiser can make up to half the weight of a plastic hag or washing up bowl.

This, he says "has some-times proved a problem. When it is in contact with fatty foods, such as certain types of cheese, the plasticiser can migrate from the plastic film to the product."

Phthalates are clear oily liquids which carry pigments at 25 and catalysts and which also kilogram. give flexibility to cellulose acetate and other plastics. They exist in certain kinds of domestic objects — carpet plant oestrogens and have

N 1989 a scientist pointed out that there was a little problem with a label that said "environmentally friendly" on vegetables

N 1989 a scientist pointed edgings, vinyl floorings, paint, bose pipes, margarine tubs, food wrappers, polypropylene pot plants and so on. The world output of phthalates is reckoned to be 5 mil-

lion tons a year. Phthalates have been wor-rying environmentalists for about 10 years: vapours from Phthalates and similar diethyl phthalate have been found to be toxic to clover, aster, tobacco, broad beans, roses and alfalfa.

Japanese chemical compa nies banned certain chemicals such as di-butyl phthal-ate 20 years ago, and used the apparently less problematic di-ethyl-hexyl phthalate in-stead. This is the one used for making PVC bags for storing blood for transfusions, and for medical catheters. When fed in large quanti-

ties, this phthalate caused cancer in mice, but most scientists believe this doe reveal much about the risk to humans. The maximum acceptable daily intake for humans has been set in Europe at 25 milligrams per

been implicated in birth de-fects in animals and in falling sperm counts in men.

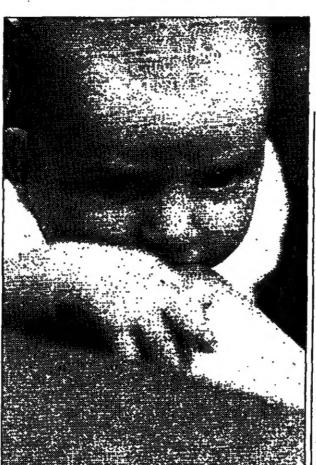
But this evidence, too, is confusing: male sperm counts appear to be falling steadily in Britain and parts of Europe but not in crowded, urban parts of the US like New York. The other catch is that phthalates aren't the only chemicals supposed to mimic or interfere with human sex

hormone; others are polycy-

clic aromatic hydrocarbons, polychlorinated byphenyls (PCBs), dioxins and organo-chlorine pesticides. The real problem is that scientists know remarkably little about the potential long-term effects of many man

made chemicals, More than 7 million have een identified and more than 80,000 are in widespread use. Some occur in huge quantipump 25,000 tons of arsenic and 10,000 tons of mercury chimneys, into the air each year and nobody knows what these two dangerous toxic metals are doing to human health.

everywhere - they have been measured in the snows of Greenland and the Antarctic and on the ocean bottom and ever-subtler detection systems have made them eas-In recent years phthalates | ler to find. But it is one thing etate and other plastics. They have been linked with an-exist in certain kinds of other threat, to fertility. They other thing to pin down the bleaches, and in all sorts of "mimic" the effect of natural guilty and make the charge



Breast feeding ... But there is a conflict between the natural way and working life PHOTOGRAPH: CLAIRE WRIGHT | called on the Government

Breast may be best, but problems await mothers who prefer the natural method and only a fifth are still using it after six months. Martin Wainwright reports

able timing, the bottled milk scare has come at the end of National Breast-Feeding Awareness Week, and its headlines have given a dramatic if un-sought fillip to the

campaign.
"We thought of trying the slogan Expressing Milk — Come out of the Water Closet," says Christine Gowdridge, director of the Maternity Alliance. "All the avidence appreciate that the evidence suggests that illogical and outdated meare keeping many mothers away from the best and safst source of baby milk the breast."

The natural system faces a constant struggle against modern work practices. The most recent govern-ment survey, conducted four years ago, found that problems with going back to work were the major reason for women turning

to the bottle. Gowdridge, whose group

TH remark- yesterday to extend materable timing, nity leave while the phthalate scare continues. "You are missing your haby and you may well be suffering discomfort with your sys-tem tuned in to regular

> The fear of leakage, or constant visits to to the Ladies to express milk, af-fects most breast-feeding mothers, whose leave ends at 14 weeks under revised regulations introduced two years ago. The reforms ex-tended statutory time off as a right to all working women, but fell short of the natural weaning cycle which gradually reduces the amount of breast milk.

"The employment depart-ment, which came up with the 14 weeks, is clearly at odds with the health de-partment, which sets four months as the earliest time to wean babies off milk," said Mrs Gowdridge.

very difficult time for a mother anyway." said Mrs Gowdridge, whose group called on the Government feed, knowing that they will have to stop before the time for weaning has come. "A working woman can

continue to breast-feed, with the help of expressing and breast-pumps and all that, but it isn't easy. Other advantages to bottle feed-ing come in too, particu-larly the fact that fathers

Discomfort is the other main deterrent to breastfeeding, particularly in the early stages when a baby may prove slow to 'take' and hard or engorged breasts prove painful. Fig-ures suggest that something like two-thirds of mothers start off with an attempt at breast-feeding, falling to 30 per cent after six weeks and 21 per cent after six months.

Surveys have repeatedly related breast or bottle choices to social class, with more breast-feeding more popular among better-educated mothers. They are more likely to be in fulltime employment, how-ever, and suffer dispropor-tionately from the conflict of work demands with the rival routine of breast-

Mrs Cowdridge said: This crisis highlights the fact that no woman should have to choose between "When you consider that risking her baby's health many women start their and losing her job. The leave before they have the baby, it's no wonder they are deciding not to breast-feeding allow all breast-feeding mothers to extend their leave until phthalate-free milk is universally

British girl may be fifth victim in Majorca meningitis scare

ABRITISH girl. aged six, was in intensive care in Majorca last night, a possible fifth victim in the meningitis scare which has hit the holi-Doctors said the girl, who has not been named, may

only have a cold but that she had been admitted to hospital in Palma for observation.

Michaela Leyland, aged il staying at the same apartment complex on the isflict.

Merseyside, land's north coast died.

hotel in the southern resort of Magaluf. Doctors said her condition had improved Medical authorities and

tour operators have been trying to allay fears of a meningitis epidemic aince the death last Monday of Christopher Richards, aged 13, from Middleton-on-Sea, West Sussex. Thomas O'Neill, aged three.

stable condition in the same from Leeds. who was diag-

hospital after falling ill in a | nosed as suffering from the | child already has the germ

A health official said that the six-year-old had been admitted to hospital as a precau tion after she became ill while staying with her parents at Cala Millor. Tests would be carried out over the next few days. He believed the illness had been brought to Majorca "Our health authorities are

becoming increasingly convinced that that is the case. What happens is that, when a | cancelled their holiday plans.

same illness in Magaluf, was released from hospital after responding to treatment.

dormant in the body, it can strike after sudden exercise like swimming and playing. like swimming and playing, exposure to intense sun and irregular meals."

He denied reports that there had been an exodus of tourists. "There is no factor to suggest there is any danger in Majorca.'

However, hundreds of holidaymakers have asked to change their hotels since news of the first victim be-came known, and at least 60 others are believed to have

Burger boxes and a clockwork radio vie for TV design award votes Viewers will have an oppor-

David Pallister

WHAT have a plastic can-crusher, Channel 4's HQ. and a cardboard burger carin the opinion of three panels of design experts, some of the best of British.

Fifteen nominations shortlisted for BBC2's annual design awards — in the catego-ries of products, graphics and architecture — will be shown in three programmes starting next week and presented by Janet Street-Porter.

tunity to vote for their favourphone, at 250 booths

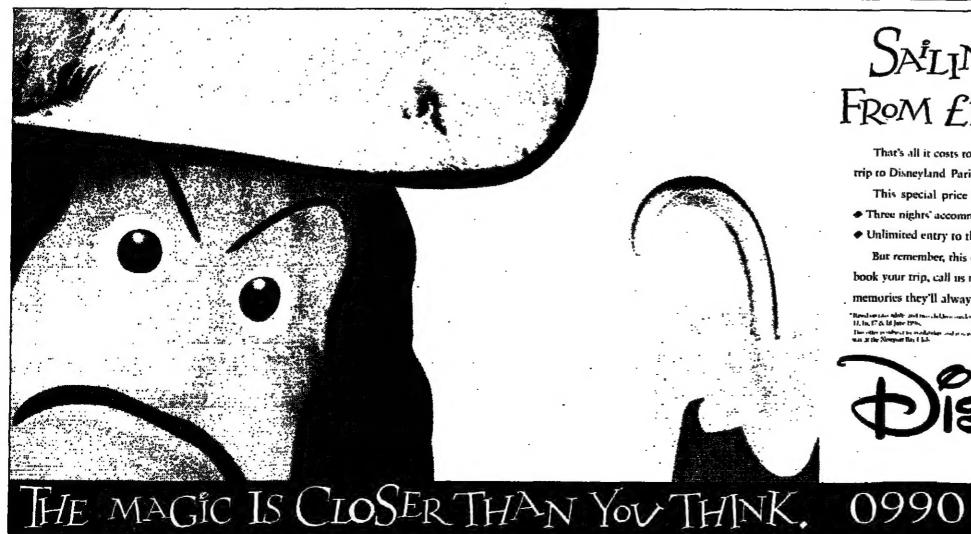
mobile exhibition centre.
The products panel, chaired by Kenneth Grange, who sculpted the Kenwood Chef mixer, chose a digital camera with an instant printer, a wind-up radio for use in the Third World, a hardwood vheelchair for mine-damaged Cambodians, the recycling can-crusher and the elegant nose of the Eurostar train. The architecture panel, headed by Sir Michael Hopk-

Centre, Liverpool, the Techniquest Science Discovery Centre in Cardiff, the Citizens Advice Bureau in Chessington. Surrey, a glass pavilion foyer to an 18th-century house in Dudley, West Mid-lands, and Richard Rogers' £39 million central London

Channel 4 building. Mary Lewis, creative director of the design partnership Lewis-Moberly, chaired the graphics panel. Its shortlist included the Disney Chan-nel's playful Mickey Mouse

ings, chose a community logo, the South Eastern boathouse in the Watersports Trains poster campaign, the Trains poster campaign, the graphics for the Association for the Prevention of Addiction, a set of vinyl-covered dance music CDs promoting a nightclub chain, and the cardboard fast food box.

The winners will be announced on July 8. Each programme will give a plug to the car-makers, Audi, which is sponsoring the mobile exhibi-tion and a static one at the Kelvingrove art gallery and museum, Glasgow, from July 2. This is not considered adver-



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The Guardian Tuesday May 28 1996

MPs to back

sleaze curb

on 'freebies'

tion between a genuine working trip and a "freebie", a majority of senior MPs on the committee drawing up a new code of conduct are poised to back the toughest option on

The decision by the newly formed standards and privi-leges committee, itself part of the Nolan reforms, is expected to be taken after the Commons returns on June 4, and will create a huge row when the full code is pub-lished, and debated, in late

But MPs are expected to bite the bullet, albeit reluc-tantly. "They don't want the alternative, a statutory code," said one. Some MPs, not all of them Conservatives, are al-ready complaining that the expected rules will make it hard to raise issues "except those about which we know the drive to stop cash for liament's reputation.

questions and other forms of directly remunerated

in its crucial section; the code will confirm Lord Nolan's proposal that politicians who accept the hospitality of third parties — industrial firms or foreign governments, for instance will not be expected to "initi-ate" parliamentary debates or

Several MPs on the committee, including the Tory, Quen-tin Davies, and Labour's Dale Campbell-Savours, have argued for looser rules that would not prevent MPs from initiating questions or debates after going on what Mr Davies calls designated fact-finding visits and Mr Campbell-Savours calls "public in-

Implicit in their formulac is the belief that the need for greater, US-style transparen-cy in such dealings should not restrict the honest efforts of most MPs just because of the need to inhibit the chancers. Gloomy Tories are predicting the Noian rules on outside earnings will greadually restrict the Commons to "pro-

millionaires". But the committee's major ity is keen to provide more openness after years of sleaze allegations have lowered Par-

fessional politicians and



Signing of the times . . . President Kennedy authorising a US arms quarantine against Cuba during the missile crisis of 1962 that threatened nuclear war

TV history takes £10m look at cold war

Past masters

BRITAIN 5

TELEVISION'S biggest documentaries:

Civilisation: Kenneth Clark's 1969 BBC2 documentary charted cultural development

since the Dark Ages.

🗔 America: A 13-parter for BBC2 shown in 1972-73 with Alistair Cooke delivering a personal history of the US.

☐ The World at War: Narrated by Laurence Olivier and produced by Jeremy Isaacs this 26-part documentary for Thames traced the 1939-45 war from Hitler's rise to Hiroshima. Shown in 1973-74, and repeated on BBC2 in

🗆 Ireland: A Television History: 13-episode co-production between BBC2 and Ireland's RTE, produced by Jeremy Isaacs, written and presented by Robert Kee, and shown in 1980-81.

☐ Life on Earth: David Attenborough's 1979 project, the biggest undertaken by the BBC Natural History Unit, shot in more than 30 countries in three years for BBC1.

People's Century: BBC1's £10 million 26part history of the 20th century. First 10 episodes shown last

Ministers face row over rising school class sizes

Donald MacLeod Education Correspondent

School children in Eng-land are being taught in classes of more than 30, the Government has acknowledged — and the position is expected to worsen. Next month the Govern-

ment will publish updated figures on class sizes, and minis-ters are braced for more criticism. The overall pupil/ teacher ratio deteriorated should listen to education ex-this year, and this will feed perts and her chief inspector,

the figures were an indictment of government compla-cency. The Department for

number of children in primary classes of more than 30 increased by 7 per cent in the year to January 1995, to 1.6 million — a 24 per cent in crease since 1991.

The number in classes of 40 or more has risen even faster, by 27 per cent in the year to 18,000. Nearly 400,000 secondary pupils are in classes of more than 30.

Mr Blunkett said Gillian Shephard, the Education and Employment Secretary, through into larger classes.

David Blunkett, Labour's small classes were are of beneducation spokesman, said efft in the early years of pri-

mary education. He added: "How can we raise standards in primary Official figures show the than 30 and even 40?"

Andrew Culf on CNN mogul's breakfast brainwave to put a history of politics since 1945 on screens 'in every quarter of the globe' ED Turner, the maver- | claimed TV history, The |

ick American media mogul, was having breakfast in a St Petersstaff: "Find Jeremy leanes."
Two years on, one of the most ambitious television

projects of the century is be-ginning to take shape. The general director of the Royal Opera House was initially sceptical as phone calls and faxes from the founder of sought to entice him, but eventually he flew to Turner Education and Employment education when every year, eventually he flew to Turner said primary class sizes were more and more children are Broadcasting's Atlanta headmake the sequel to his ac | mentary fashion. We hired

World at War.
Cold War, a 20-hour, £10
million history of global politics since 1945, is due to be screened on Turner's American network TBS, and BBC2 in Britain, in autumn 1998. Pat Mitchell, president of Turner Original Productions, said Mr Turner came up with the idea at the 1994 Goodwill

Games — an international

sporting contest funded by Cable News Network (CNN) his TV company to foster good relations between Russia and the United States.
"Ted wanted this to be told agreed to im a very traditional docu







Jeremy Isaacs (left), producer of The World at War, was asked to make Cold War by US tycoon

Ted Turner (right) because, as his executive Pat Mitchell (centre) said: 'He wanted the best'

Turner asked me for a series quarter of the globe. It will not be triumphant or resentful, but seek to do justice to the motives of both sides. We are aiming at a popular nar-rative TV history, reaching for an audience of millions."

Two years before trans-mission, the series has already been sold to ARD, the German TV network, and ORT, a Russian channel, with further sales expected. Early episodes have almost

been completed and Mr Isaacs five years ago 99 per cent of says they include previously the history of the cold war

the best just look at The unseen film footage, and will was reliant on western document briefing, so we broad-ments. The entire other side cast it. I look forward to setting that record straight."

Mr Isaaca said: "Ted ments in cold war history.

we hat was a state Department of was reliant on western document briefing, so we broadcast it. I look forward to setting that record straight."

In 1960 President Kennedy

"When we made The World at War we had to abandon one programme we planned or Stalin: we could not find anyone to talk about Stalin. That barrier has now been lifted. the archives have been opened, and Russian lips unsealed."

Jim Hershberg, on the advi-sory panel of the Cold War International History Project at the Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington, said: This is about as close as you can get to definitive history. Until

"But from 1990 the trickle

turned to a flood of archive material from East Germany - and another side of history is now emerging."
Researchers from Mr

Isaacs' production company, Flashback Television, have stumbled across remarkable archive footage.

Martin Smith, a member of

the production team, was filming in Missouri when a man told him he had some 8mm colour film in his base-ment. It turned out to be of Churchill before his sombre

which served as a prelude to the cold war: "From Stettin in the Baltic to Trieste in the Adriatic, an Iron Curtain has descended across the Continent."

Other rare film includes material from Russian archives of the Sputnik space programme, colour pictures of President Kennedy in Ber-lin in 1963, and Vietnam war footage shot from the North.

Mr Isaacs said Cold War overturned many conventional interpretations: "The second North Vietnamese naval attack of August 4, 1964, never occurred, I was pro-ducer of This Week on Thames and two days later all we had was a State Depart-

campaigned alleging that the US was behind in the arms race — the so-called missile gap. But a year later satellite pictures showed it was ahead. "When I made The World at War a historian dismissed it as being of no interest to stu-

as a teaching tool around the

Mr Isaacs hopes Cold War will have a similar relevance: "The series spans the crises and lulls of 45 years, and it will help us to make the connections and find a pettern in

"You're not sure your health insurance will pay my bill, are you?"



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Prison officers' work-to-rule

Alan Travis Home Affairs Editor

RISON officers yester-day began a national work-to-rule in protest at budget cuts which will lead to the loss of 2,800 jobs at a time of record inmate numbers.
The action, called by the

Prison Officers' Association, s intended to secure a pledge that there will be no compul union strength before an impending pay review.

The prison service said yes-

terday that governors were monitoring the impact of the work-to-rule. Any escalation in the dispute could lead to a High Court challenge by the Government which outlawed industrial action by the ssociation in the 1984 Crimi-

The association is seeking an assurance that there will be no sackings as a result of the 13.5 per cent cut in the prison service budget over the next three years. But more than 3,500 of the 41,000 staff are believed to have union would be made inquiries about volun-tary redundancy. So far gov-action's impact.

ernors have only identified 1,300 posts they believe could be lost without jeopardising security.

The association's general secretary, David Evans, said: "There won't be any danger to the public from our action. I think most of the danger to the public comes from a government wanting to impose a budget cut and get rid of 3,000 of our most experienced men and women from the service.
"We believe that this is a

high-risk strategy which could prove disastrous to the prison service so we are going to withdraw our goodwill." The decision stemmed from a vote at the association's annual conference in Portsmouth last week. Prison offi-

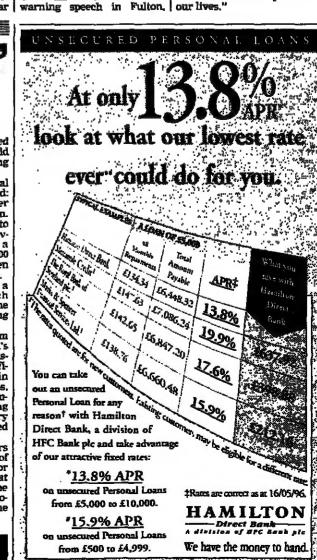
cers are refusing to clock-in before official starting times. leading to delays at the begin-ning of the day, and refusing to work additional voluntary hours. The impact is expected to grow as the week goes on. Mr Evans said ministers had taken the goodwill of prison officers for granted for too long and he hoped that

after a couple of days the union would be able to pro-



"Our Father which art in the Long Room, Godders be Thy name/ Thy decision is final, at Lord's, as it is at Sabina Park./Give us this day a zonking great sachertorte" Sebastian Faulkes

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The funeral procession on its way to church in Ushant, as depicted by the Illustrated London News. Many of the dead were washed ashore naked: the islanders dressed and buried them in their own ceremonial costumes kept for solemn rituals

French islanders mourn British long lost at sea

243 people died in the sinking of the Drummond Castle. But plans by Breton villagers to mark the centenary . have been ignored by the Queen, Paul Webster in Paris reports

EVERAL hours after the liner Drummond 17, 1896, having been holed off the Isle of Ushant, a eton fisherman recovered the body of a three-year-old English girl named Alice Alice, from Dalton-in-Fur-

ss. Cumbria, was to become he best remembered of the 243 passengers and crew who died. After she was taken to a ottage, laid in a cradle and dressed in a ceremonial Bre-ton costume, the scene was rded by the French artist Charles Cottet for a picture

service to commemorate the centenary of one of Britain's worst passenger ship disas-ters. Afterwards, wreaths will be laid on the sea above the wreck by a fleet of navy ships, lifeboats and fishing craft.



will recall the terrible work of pulling scores of bodies from response of the British public to sacrifices made by one of France's poorest communi-ties. But Ushant's mayor, De-nis Palluel, has not had a response to appeals for British representatives and descen-dants of the victims' families to attend the ceremony and visit two exhibitions devoted to the 3,700-ton Glasgow-built night of her 18-day run from Cape Town to London.

"This is an episode deeply engraved in the minds of the local people," he said. "There have been hundreds of wrecks around the Ouessant the Drummond Castle, particularly as there are many graves in our churchyards and along the Breton coast.
"We would like the British

to see how well we remember lifeboats and fishing craft.

Descendants of the families
who rescued three survivors was important enough to in-

vite the Queen, but Bucking-ham Palace is one of the insti-tutions which has not replied to our invitation."

in 1896, hundreds of news paper articles in France and Britain were devoted to the disaster and the reaction of the local islanders, who received letters and medals from Queen Victoria. She was moved by the care given to the scores of bodies which floated to the Atlantic islands, two hours sailing from the Breton mainland.

Many dead were washed ashore naked or in pyjamas. The islanders dressed them in their own ceremonial cos-tumes kept for solemn rituals, while hundreds of people attended ecumenical burials by the parish priest.

Donations from the ship-ping firm and British public subscriptions were used to build a spire for Ushant's church and provide a clock for the church at Molène. The island was also endowed with a reservoir for fresh water that is still its main supply.

Many of the exhibits on the sinking have come from the 1,300 islanders who kept photographs of the rescuers and contemporary accounts and letters from British relatives. Among documents are extracts from the British public inquiry which blamed the captain. Walter Pierce, for [Ushant] archipelago, but | navigation errors, failing to speed before the ship struck ranite rocks known as Les Pierres Vertes.

The liner foundered just after 11pm on June 16, barely an hour after passengers and crew had ended an end-of-voy-age party. A Castle Line rep-resentative who later visited

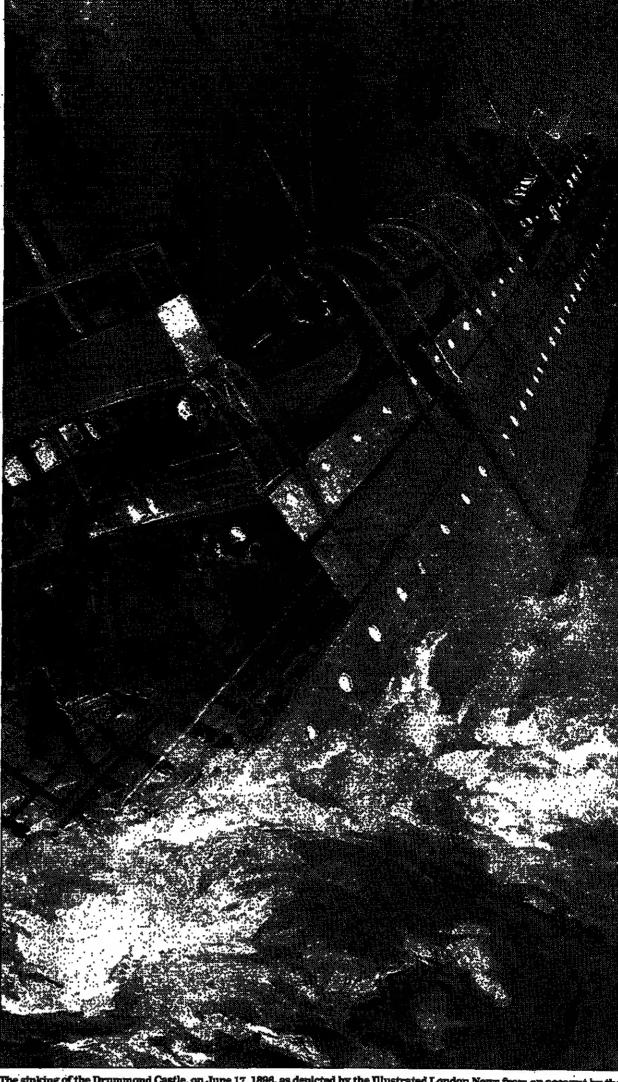
the spot told the firm's owner, Donald Currie, that he had gerous to navigation as the Ouessant archipelago, where 42 British ships had sunk in the previous 20 years.

passenger who survived said the ship went down in minjuddering halt as she trav elled at about 12 knots through a misty night. Many passengers drowned in their cabins. But most were on deck, along with the 104 crew-men preparing to launch life-

The only passenger to escape from the Drummond Castle, Charlie Marquardt, grabbed a piece of floating wood and spent most of the night and the following morn-ing in the water. He was picked up by a boat rowed by a retired fisherman, Joseph Berthelé, who also recovered Alice Reid's body, and later became a hero in the British press as the "grand old man

Attempts to trace Mr Mar-quardt's descendants and those of the two surviving crewmen, Charles Wood, the ster, and William Godbolt, a seaman, have been unsuccessful. They escaped together on a piece of wreckage and were picked up by chance by a Molène fishing They were the first to report the disaster, which meant that the news was not

flashed to London by tele-graph from Ushant's Creac'h lighthouse until 3.15pm — 16 hours after the Drummond Castle had disappeared be-



The sinking of the Drummond Castle, on June 17, 1896, as depicted by the Illustrated London News from an account by the only surviving passenger. Those on board were celebrating the end of the voyage from Cape Town when the ship hit rocks

Tight control on freed dissident

Reuter in Beijing

HINA yesterday released the only senior official jailed for the 1989 pro-democracy protests and placed him under virtual house arrest in a retreat on the outskirts of Beijing, a family member

Police had moved Bao Tong, aged 63, into a bunga-low in the Western Hills, fearing his public reappearance before the anniver-sary of the June 4 army crackdown on demonstra-tors could bring back un-

wanted memories "They're holding him . . because of June 4," his daughter, Bao Jian, said. Bao Tong, a former aide to the toppled Communist Party chief Zhao Ziyang, 'counter-revolutionary in-

telephone.

• Chinese authorities have

launched a crackdown against Tibetan separatists after bombings in the region doubled in 1995 and gun-related crimes rose by

Lama's separatist groups interference and damage," the May 19 edition of the paper quoted Chen Kuiyuan, secretary of the

was released after serving a Communist Party in Tibet, seven-year term for as saying. The new 'slave'

beauty queen, was attractive, young, educated and ready to leave the Philippines for

days after they met, following marriage lasted two weeks and ended one year ago in a citement" and leaking state

trade in women

catalogue called "Asian Encounters" a few years ago. Timothy Blackwell, a shy computer technician, saw his

Susana Remerata, a former

The two were married three

throw a security net around the capital in the run-up to the June 4 anniversary. They said that he would be held for eight to 10 more days before he can go home," Bao Jian said by

half, the Tibet Daily news-paper said.
"We must keep a clear mind to deal with the Dalai

Blackwell is on trial for his life. He has pleaded not guilty although his lawyers have not contested that he killed his HUMBING through a wife and two friends. His case has, however, fo-cused attention on the growing practice of American men declaration. who seek mail order brides.

Today, there are more than services operating on the Ingrowing segment.

Some women's groups say this practice of peddling po-tential mates is a form of slavery. Women are brought to ten lobby, agreeing to talk the US where the law only with Bonn. Both courrhouse lobby in Seattle requires them to stay with countries foreign ministries where she and two friends their new husband for at least have been quietly wrangling were shot by Blackwell at a two years before they can declaration but the officer declaration, but the effort

Sudeten legacy haunts election

fan Traynor in Bonn

NCIENT animosities and unhealed wartime grievances are haunt ing the final days of the Czech election campaign after senior politicians in Germany attacked Prague over the post-war expulsions of milions of ethnic Germans.

Vaclay Klaus, the Czech prime minister, has rounded furiously on Germany's finance minister. Theo Waigel, declaring that the Czechs did not need lessons on democracy from the Ger-mans, and that they should watch their words over the

wartime years. Relations between the two central European neighbours have been bedevilled since the end of the cold war over the "ethnic cleansing" of 3 million Germans from Czechoslovakia in 1945 and 1946 in revenge for Hitler's occupation from 1938.

Bonn refuses to conclude

reached with other countries on compensation for Nazi victims unless Prague apologises unreservedly for the expul-sions, during which thousands of Germans were killed. Fearing a rush of property claims, the Czechs are wary. Earlier this year, Bonn questioned the validity of the Allies' 1945 Potsdam Agreement, which endorsed the expulsions, causing the United States to reaffirm the

In Nuremburg at the weekend during the Sudeten Ger-mans' annual Whitsun rally. Mr Waigel and Edmund ternet. Russian and Filipino Stoiber, Bavaria's prime min-women make up the fastest- ister, backed their claims and demanded that Prague hold

talks with their leaders. For years, Mr Klaus has refused to deal with the Sude-

collapsed in January when the Germans tabled last-

The draft is now believed to be almost complete and both sides have agreed to leave its this weekend's Czech noll. gel and Mr Stoiber ensured that the emotive issue hijacked

the election campaign.
"I declare resolutely and clearly that I am not prepare or willing to hear them [the demands) from such an impor tant representative of the fed-eral German government," Mr Klaus said. "I do not want anybody to instruct us what the We don't need that, we know it well enough ourselves.

"I am also very much sur-prised that anybody should wish us to speak about World War Two with regret. I have the feeling it is the German side which should speak about the whole matter very quietly.

Both the extreme right and left in the Czech Republic have been trying to drum up voter support by exploiting the appeal of anti-German rhetoric. But last month, Milos Zeman, the leader of the social democrats and now Mr Klaus's main rival, said the issue should be shelved until after the poll. The main par-ties have tacitly agreed not to try to outdo one another with

anti-German tubthumping.

Most of the expelled Germans settled in Bavaria after the war, and they represent an influential lobby. Mr Waigel and Mr Stoiber, both lead-ers of the ruling Bavarian Christian Social Union, are the two most powerful politicians in Bayaria.

'The Czech side can't resolve this because for years failed to tell their people about the crimes that were perpetrated," said a senior Bavarian politician. "The big difference between us and

News in brief

Kuchma sacks reforming PM in Ukraine power struggle

PRESIDENT Leonid
Kuchma of Ukraine sacked the prime minister, Yevhen Marchuk, yesterday, idential press office said in a statement

A presidential decree blamed him for Ukraine's

growing economic crisis and said his duties would now be those of an MP.

Historic step for colony The commander of Britain's dwindling garrison in Hong Kong, Maj-Gen Bryan Dutton.

crossed the frontier for the first time yesterday to meet Gen Liu Zhenwu, the Chinese general who will succeed him when China takes over the British colony in 400 days. Maj.-Gen. Dutton was be-lieved to be the first Hong Kong commander to make the

trip since China went commu-nist in 1949. — AP. **Opposition fears** The Burmese opposition leader, Aung San Suu Kyi, said yesterday after a meating of her National League for De-mocracy that she was worried about the fate of more than 250 party activists who had been arrested last week, say-

ing that at least two had been charged. — Reuter. Leader comment, page 12 **Pricey Tokyo**

Tokyo retained its reputation as one of the most expensive cities in 1995, as price differences between Tokyo and New York shot up to their highest level in 10 years. Gas, electricity, water and rent were the biggest purse

Thai 'death plot' Thailand promised yesterday

to investigate allegations that the Thai military was linked to death threats against Gar-eth Evans, Australia's former foreign minister. The Thai embassy would contact the Australian federal police and the Sydney Morning Herald newspaper. - AP.

Mr Marchuk, a shrewd Kuchma said he would not Kuwaitis see through Indian's

cross-dressing disguise UWAIT has deported an Indian man arrested for wearing female clothes in a cinema so that he could sit next to his girlfriend without her mother knowing, a Kuwaiti newspaper, Wa-

"Premier Yevhen Marchuk

his duties in running the gov-ernment," the statement said.

"Rather than fulfilling his day-to-day duties, he has most recently been using all his en-

ergy to promote his own polit-

tan, reported yesterday. The man, in his twenties, told the police he dressed like a woman "to sit next to his Indian friend since she | car. - Reuter.

HE international criminal | Kayishema had been detained were being detained at its headquarters in Arusha, Tansania, and would be charged

later this week.
In a statement, the tribunal registrar, Andronico Adede, said Georges Anderson Nderubumwe Rutaganda, Jean-

Genocide suspects held

in Zambia and transfered to

chief, has built up increasing influence among Ukrainian and foreign leaders and the

local media in recent months. Relations between the two

have grown increasingly strained. Mr Marchuk com-plained he did not have

enough powers, while Mr

was coming to the cinema

their relationship."
The paper added: "Offi-

undersecretary of the inte-

rior ministry who ordered

With only 35 investigators, the hard-pressed tribunal is trying to gather evidence against the ringleaders of the killing of up to 1 million Tut-sis and Hutu moderates. More than a war of invalid than a year of investigations have led to indictments against 10 suspects, mainly local officials.—Reuter.

Right retains Cyprus helm

office have said Mr Kuchma saw Mr Marchuk as a a poten-

tial rival for the presidency. Elections are due in 1999, but

Mr Marchuk, in an impor-

tant speech to parliament last

week, asked that Ukraine take a milder approach to eco-nomic reforms. — Reuter.

could be earlier.

HE centre-right emerged victorious yesterday in parliamentary elections in Cyprus, with the communists boosting their position as the escorted by her mother, who did not know about cials sent a report to the the deportation." The man was arrested while remov-ing his female clothes in his

second biggest party.

Campaigning for the Sunday poll had been dominated by the island's 22-year-old division, but the results were denounced by the leader to nounced by the leader of the Turkish-Cypriot community. Rauf Denktash, as failing to offer any hope of bringing the two communities together.

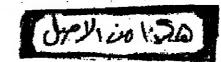
President Glafcos Clerides's Democratic Rally won 34.5 per cent of the vote, mainmember parliament. The communist Akel came second with 33 per cent and 19 seats. one more than previously held.

But Mr Clerides's govern-ment will still hold a majority. Its coalition partner, the centre-right Democratic Party won 10 seats, one fewer than before. — Reuter.



Einstein is reported to have suddenly stopped dead and seized Marie Curie by the arm, saying with deadly seriousness: "You understand, what I need to know is exactly what happens to the passengers in an elevator when it falls into emptiness." Tim Radford

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Protest call follows poll in Albania

Helena Smith in Athena

Tuesday May 23 lgs

LBANIA'S opposition parties called on their supporters to take to the streets to take to the streets today, amid fears that their anger could grow into a violent backlash against Sunday's abortive general

As thousands of Albanians celebrated the ruling conservatives "crushing" victory with fireworks, gunshots and jubilant cor rides, leftwingers were mourning the "end of democracy" in the former Stalinist state.

They demanded that the poll be immediately annulled

and called on supporters to mass in the capital Tirana

Although final results have yet to be released, a euphoric President Sali Berisha said his Democratic Party could clinch as much as 65 per cent of the vote, outdoing its landslide victory four years ago. Before balloting closed on

The opposition pullout was an admission of defeat. The red front should have given up years ago'

Sunday in the third free election since the collapse of com-munism, the Socialists claimed government-insti-gated fraud had turned it into a travesty of democracy and

withdrew from the poll. They said opposition sym-pathisers had been intimidated and harassed by secret police at polling stations. In the rocky villages of the Albania's restless ethnic Greek minority, critics said voting had taken place in a "climate of terror".

Allegations of foul play

were backed by international observers yesterday. One MEP, Jean-François Vallin, of the French Socialist Party. reported that more than 12 observers had seen irregularitles in the poverty-stricken

"On the basis of what I and my colleagues saw, we can say that these elections were not genuinely fair and in would rule the outcome inva-lid," he said.

Sundar accusations were levelled at the Democrats in

the run-up to the election. During the one-month com-paign, Dr Berisha faced heavy criticism for his authoritar-

But dismissing the acrusations yesterday the conserva-tives quickly ruled out a new election. "The lopposition's departure was an admission of defeat, a well-deserved defeat. The red front should have given up four years ago." Dr Berisha said. For Western analysts and

a much closer contest be-tween the two main parties, the scale of the Democrats' victory has spawned fears about Albania's future.

Many said the prospect of the opposition boycotting parliament had triggered con-cern about the country being run as a one-party state at a time of increasing volatility in the southern Balkans.

In recent weeks. Western capitals have expressed grow-ing anxiety about neighbour-ing Kosovo where a spate of violent incidents involving ethnic Albanians have fuelled fears of the southern Serbian province becoming the next Balkan flashpoint.

diplomat said.

Both the United States and the EU have been loud in their support of the Demo-crats, not least because of the party's market reforms which have turned Albania into Europe's fastest growing

But the reforms have brought hardship, especially in the countryside where 60 per cent of the population lives. Disgruntled Albanians have hankered after the social security nets long promised by the opposition.
It is these people who are expected to take to the streets today when the Socialists demonstrate against the election result in Tirana's Scan-

denbeg Square. With passions running high among the people they would have liked to see in power, no one is excluding a return to the violence that has marked Albania's political culture in its latest attempt to discover



National pride . . . A man hangs Palestinian flags near a poster of Yasser Arafat at a checkpoint between Gaza and Israel

"If there is no opposition represented in parliament it will mean that the government will have a free hand in domestic and foreign policy issues," one European Union diplometers and the foreign policy issues, one European Union diplometers and the foreign policy issues, one European Union diplometers and foreign policy issues, one European Union diplometers and foreign policy issues, one European Union diplometers and foreign policy issues.

Comment

Anthony Lewis

AT 11 o'clock on Sunday night in Gaza, Eyyad Sarraj was released from jail. It was the end of a personal drama with implications for all Palestinians and for Israel.

Dr Serraj, a psychiatrist, had been arrested by police-men of the Palestinian Authority on May 18. Offi-Authorny on May 18. Officials said he was being investigated for "alander" in statements quoted in this column in the New York Times. He said that the authority was "dictatorial" and "oppressive", making routine use of arbitrary arrests and torture. The Palestinian president, Yasser Arafat, reacted vindictively to Dr Sarraj's criticism,

tinian future.

Over the decades, as a leader in exile, Mr Arafat made himself the symbol of Palestinian aspirations. He put the cause on the world agenda. He lived a dangerous

More recently, he has moved to a second role, that of the peacemaker with Israel. In this, he confounded many Israeli sceptics. After a long delay, Mr Arafat did crack down on Hamas terrorists. Last month he steered the Palestine National Council to expunge from the Pales-tine Liberation Organisation's covenant passages calling for the destruction of the Israeli state.

Now, as president of the Palestinian Authority, Mr Arafat is playing a third role — as the leader of an emerging national polity.

There are great doubts

all, the affair became a test of Attorney-general faces lawsuit Mr Arafat's role in the Pales

THE PALESTINIAN human rights group beaded by Byyad Sarraj said yesterday it will sue the Palestinian attorney-general over Dr Sarraj's arrest for criticism published in the New York Times.

has not shown the broad-mindedness or democratic character needed. As the Sar-raj affair showed, he has focused on building personal power and sending his people the message that disagreement is dangerous.

Mr Arafat has surrounded himself with yes men. His minister of justice, Faraih Abu Middin, a longtime friend of Dr Sarraj, denounced the doctor while he was in prison, saving he had rights of Palestinians during m - w

The Palestinian Independent Commission for Citizens' Rights said its case against Khaled al-Qidra will raise the subject of freedom of expression, and the "repeated" arrests of other individuals. — Reuter.

fact Dr Sarraj had been a lead-ing force for their rights. It was essential for Israel to negotiate with Mr Arafat and the PLO if it was going to seek a way of securing peace with the Palestinians. That is what the former Israeli prime min-ister, Yitzhak Rabin, came to

understand in the last years of his life — and what made the Oslo agreement possible. There is still no alternative for Israel, the United States or anyone else who wants to deal with an authentic Palestinian leadership. Likud politicians

campaign that they will not negotiate with Mr Arafat are really saying that they will end the peace process. But it does not follow that outsiders have to close their

eyes to the reality of Mr Aralat's thin-skinned autocracy.
Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza do not want occupation replaced by a tyranny of their own. They are familiar with the idea of democracy, and want it for themselves. They showed that in protests over Dr Sarraj's detention — which helped secure his release.

It is not only Palestinians who have an interest in the development of democracy, under Mr Arafat or others. Israelis and Palestinians are destined to live next to each other in a small area. Israelis vote this week in an election that will effectively say yes or no to peace. If they say yes, they will need a stable democratic partner for eastern border on the Jordan

Rival closes gap on **Peres**

Derek Brown in Jerusalem

SRAEL'S general election campaign ended last night with Binyamin Netanyahu, the rightwing Likud challenger, apparently closing the gap on Shimon Peres, the Labour prime minister. Opinion polls have consis-

tently shown Mr Peres nar-rowly leading Mr Netanyahu. The last two polis suggested victory margins of 2.4 per cent and 5 per cent. Israeli analysts have pointed out that such a slen-der lead lies within the mar-

gin of error of most surveys, and that the trend of recent weeks has slightly favoured Mr Netanyahu.

A leading member of Isra-el's Arab community said yes-terday that the prime minister's sanctioning of last month's assault on Lebanon could cost him the election. Ahmed Tibi, an adviser to

Yasser Arafat, the Palestinian president, and for a few weeks of the campaign a con-tender for a seat in the Knesset (parliament), said the Leb-anon campaign had lost Mr Peres vital support among Arabs, who consitute around 11 per cent of the electorate.

will defeat Peres. But I hope my predictions are proven wrong on Wednesday," he

During the 16-day bombardment of Lebanon, Arab politi-cal leaders urged their supporters to boycott the prime ministerial elections, and take part only in the poll for the Knesset.

Most Arab leaders have since thought better of a tactic which could restore the nationalist Likud to power, and are calling on their fol-lowers to back Mr Peres.

Many Arabs fear that a victory for Mr Netanyahu will destroy the Middle East peace process, and the Israel-Pales-tine Liberation Organisation self-rule accords in particular. The point has been driven home by Mr Peres, who has denounced his rival's proposals for more Jewish settle ment in the occupied West if necessary, troops back into the PLO-controlled enclaves.

Mr Netanyahu has tem pered his opposition to self-rule, but insists that Likud will never tolerate an inde-pendent Palestinian state.

Three woeful mothers blame their plight on the villain Yeltsin

James Meek in Pyatigorsk reports on how the Chechen war has backfired in the region where it was supposed to be most popular and a personal grudge against Mikhail Gorbachev. In 1971 Sergel was expelled from the regional branch of the Com-

mythic about the three elderly women sitting on the bench in this north Caucasian spa town, recounting the fates of their children. Russia is a country that reveres its myths and legends

ine power strugil

Cyprus held

like scripture: these were the three woeful mothers. Nadezhda Voitova's children had all emigrated. Yev-genia Butenko's son was unemployed. And the only son of Maria, who would not give her last name, was recovering from a serious wound he received fighting in Chechenia. No need to guess who the villain was in this partic-

"He came back wounded.
Why should I praise this government if they did that to my
only son?" said Maria. All three intended to vote for the Communist leader, Gennady Zyuganov. It becomes clear in Pyatigorsk, part of Stavropol terri-tory, how the fateful decision to send troops into Chechenia

backfired in the very region where it was supposed to be most popular.
Perceived voter enthusiasm for military action to bring separatist Chechenia to heel was decisive at the Russian security council, on Decauber 7 1994, which agreed to

Nationalists calling for firm measures against Dzhokhar Dudayev had just won a string of local elections in the two ethnically Russian territories closest to Chechenia, Stavropol and Krasnodar. One of the

the then nationalities minis-ter, Nikolai Yegorov, had been governor of Krasnodar. And secording to one newspaper report, the security council was shown a secret poll revealing 80 per cent support for military action in the

southern regions.
Assured that the operation would be a pushover, President Boris Yeltsin seemed to be on to a winner. Yet if they really were thirsting for the Russian army to clobber the

Not that Pyatigorsk's senior citizens have any sym-pathy for the Chechens. Smil-ing sweetly, they are candidly racist. "They have a special form of life. They've never worked. They're only used to killing and stealing," said Maria.

Further up the long flight of steps which leads from the centre of town past a statue of Lenin to a cluster of sanitoria and a mineral water spring on a hill, Sergei, aged 53, was



Chechens back in 1994, many of the people of Pyatigorsk have forgotten it now. "We know perfectly well here what Chechenia is. They will fight to the last," said Mrs Voltova, aged 85.

Voltova, aged 85.
Her words echoed those of the writer Mikhall Lermontov, who warned his people what they were up against during another war with the Chechens 150 years ago: "Good deed for good there, and blood for blood/And hatred everlasting, like love."

hinted that he had indeed wanted the Chechens pun-

"It could have been done in two days, even with death and murder on both sides. The Chechens should have been given two or three days to leave the territory. Those who didn't leave should have heen destroyed," he said.

He also planned to vote for for Yelisin. For one if there's this war, For ano cause of his meagre pension the man is simply dying."

munist Party for selling his car at 500 roubles more than the state price. Mr Gorbachev was regional party boss at the

Tatyana, a 36-year-old phar-macist watching her children play around a fountain at the foot of the hill, wanted to seal off Chechenia and let the Che-

on Chechenia and let the Che-chens live apart.

But she said the war was not the biggest issue in Pyati-gursk. "What influences us is how much poorer people have become, especially the older generation. I've decided to

generation. I've decided to wote for Yeltsin. A change of leadership won't lead to anything good at this point."

Margarita, a teacher of the same age, was sitting next to her. She was angry about the war and her salary. She earns half as much as her friend, about \$50 a month. "We are the lowest form of life us the lowest form of life, us teachers. I'm not going to vote for Yeltsin. In the absence of anyone better, I may well vote for Zyuganov. I don't see how things could get any worse. What I get is only enough for

food," she said.

At the entrance to the main park, local officials had hung a red banner that reads: "B. N. Yeltsin — the choice for the new generation."

Yelena, an artist aged 24, said: "It's necessary to vote for Yeltsin because five years isn't enough time to do anything."

Her friend Alla, a 24-year-old textile designer, disagreed. "I don't know whom I'm going to vote for, but not for Yeltsin. For one thing there's this war, For another,

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The voice of courage

It is time to confront Burma's military bullies

insecure regimes it is becoming both weaker and more dangerous. Last week the ruling military junta in Burma (Myanmar), which bears the Orwellian title of State Law and Order Council, arrested more than 250 members of the National League for Democracy. It did so to prevent the NLD members from holding an entirely peaceful party meeting. This went ahead anyway, with a huge crowd of undeterred supporters cheering the NLD's leader Aung San Suu Kyi. "Giving in to bullying", she told them, "is not good for... the bully or those who are bullied." The official press has denounced Ms Suu Kyi as a 'poisonous snake" and a "sorceress." Then yesterday one tame newspaper published a commentary addressing her in more respectful terms, and claiming that the regime supported the "democratic principle" of freedom of association. It also returned to the them of dialogue between the SLORC and the democratic forces. The NLD, we should note, though described as being "in opposition", must by virtue of the 1990 election which it won overwhelmingly be regarded as Burma's rightful government.

The junta has played word-games several times before, but the effect of international pressure and adverse publicity upon it now should not be under-estimated. Ms Suu Kyi herself deserves most of the credit refusing to be exiled from her native country she sat out the generals under house arrest until they sought to regain credibility by releasing her. Since then she has gradually found her voice while avoiding any over-provocative move. Her strength, and that of the democracy movement, lies in the simplicity of its demands. These are set out very clearly in a recent interview with John Pilger - whose own work on Burma, with

THE SLORC is confused, and like all | tion on the horrors of the SLORC.* "We want a system that will guarantee our rights so that we can live in security," she says, "so that we do not have to wonder from day to day what will happen to us if we do something that will annoy those in power." It should not be too much to ask.

It is not always easy to decide just how far to intervene in another country's internal politics. But the case of Burma/Myanmar — like that of South Africa under apartheid - is overwhelming. The only question to be asked is what can be done most effectively. Western governments greeted Ms Suu Kyi's release from house arrest as a signal for relaxing pressure and encouraging trade contacts: this, as the junta's behaviour shows, sends exactly the wrong message. The regime in Rangoon should be told that it faces international isolation and sanctions, and that its first step must be to release the detained NLD members. Whether or not some of these have been sent to the Insein prison camp, conditions there for hundreds of political prisoners, as reported by Amnesty International, are also a matter for serious concern.

Whatever governments choose to do, individuals can all make their own decisions. No reputable travel agent or tour operator should allow travel to Burma to remain in its brochure and the independent tourist should stay away. No business firm should fall for the absurd and callous proposition of a recent British trade conference that Burma will become "the next Asian tiger." With railways and construction projects being built by forced labour, it neither deserves to, nor does it possess the necessary popular dynamism. Nor is it a safe bet either (as Ms Suu Kyi shrewdly argues) so long as the brutal, but baffled, generals remain in charge. * New Internationalist, June 1996, PO David Munro, has refocused our atten- Box 79, Hertford, SG14 1AQ.



A chance to do the right thing and earn the nation's gratitude

SIR JULIAN CRITCHLEY, whom the MP, won the nation's thanks and his be the man who brought down the Conservative government. Sir George Gardinar, a man whose politics are as far from Sir Julian's as any Conservative's can be, threatens (unconvincingly) that if he is deselected the task might just fall to him. The unknighted and demob-happy George Walden asks himself and the watching nation at some length, what he (and other pro-European MPs) are doing in the Conservative Party. When the majority is down to one, every MP makes the difference between the government's life and death. Is it not therefore about time that one of them took the plunge?

In his richly entertaining book A Bag of Boiled Sweets, Sir Julian tells with some pride the story of his prescient role in the fall of Lady Thatcher. In 1989. Sir Julian wrote an article suggesting that Lady T's time had come, and that she should step down gracefully, laden with honours, on the tenth anniversary of her accession. At the time Sir Julian was denounced by the Sun, upbraided by his constituents, and tut-tutted by his colleagues. But it was a courageous thing to have done, and of course Sir Julian was right (as both Lord Whitelaw and Sir Norman Fowler have subsequently conceded). When it came to courage, however, it was as nothing compared with the action of Sir Anthony Meyer in actually challenging her, a deed for which Sir Anthony, an otherwise unknown and insignificant

Politicians are not in general given to the self-sacrificial gesture. Sacrifice, in their world, is for suckers. The politician who is prepared to commit suicide for a higher cause is rare. Alan Howarth remains unique in political history in crossing the floor from Tory to Labour, and even he made his move in sufficient time to ensure he could find a Labour nomination before next polling day. Sir Anthony Meyer was a genuine exception, and nothing became him in his political life better than the leaving of it.

A record number of Conservative MPs have now announced their retirements at the coming election. These men and women keep the Government alive, preserving it from the loving hands of David Trimble and Ian Paisley but failing to prevent the Eurosceptic tail from wagging the Conservative dog. Few of these retiring MPs now owe the Government anything. Is there not, therefore, one among them who now feels that things have gone far enough? That the sell-outs to English nationalism have got to be stopped? That the death of the Government would be better than its continuance at the price now being extracted by the nationalist Right? Any volunteers? Sir Julian? Mr Walden? We pause for a reply. A permanent footnote in the history of our times beckons, along with a nation's gratitude, plus the sure knowledge that you did the right thing.

Professor, it's a quiet dinosaur!

But is this really the way it ended 65 million years ago?

THE NEWS that dinosaurs may not myth. They are variously supposed to have roared, but merely emitted a lowfrequency sort of whimper, is going to put the sound effects departments of future horror films out of business. It is only the latest in a long succession of dinosauric tales which shows how little we still know about them. Even those familiar reconstructions in the Natural History Museum are probably quite wrong. Evolutionary biologists now say that museum restorations are heavily influenced by the space available and the strength of support armature. A high ceiling simply cries out for a dancing dinosaur with good upright posture and a firm metal brace.

It is not so long since we learnt that the ferocious Oviraptor who, as the name indicates, stole other dinosaurs' eggs was actually a lovable mum who cuddled them. But it is the manner in which the dinosaurs became extinct can now be said, ended its life on earth that remains the greatest source of not with a bang but a whimper.

have succumbed to: a tidal wave, an asteroid 10 kilometres long, acid rain, worldwide forest fires, worldwide volcanic discharge, constipation from in-gesting new types of vegetation, diarrhoea from the same, or alternatively to have been blinded all at once by an

exploding super-nova. Yesterday's report about the monster that did not roar is based upon serious research into the duck-billed dinosaur or Parasaurolophus which lived in New Mexico. (It does not quite win the prize for dinosaur with the longest name which probably goes to the sharktoothed Carcharodontosaurus Saharicus). Research on other dinosaurs has produced a similar conclusion that they snuffled through their blocked noses. If true, this might also be added to the list of causes of extinction. The dinosaur, it



Letters to the Editor

lt's a matter of degree

DAUL FOOT is right to draw attention to anomalies in the first-class degree league tables (Official bluster and a load of ballistics, May 20). It has long been obvious to external examiners that in some institutions hard. in some institutions hardpressed staff teach to the exam paper and even leak ques-tions. Some modules I have examined have been assessed by single coursework essays and upper seconds have been offered for work based on two chapters from textbooks. Mark reductions generate

Students are taught from course readers and discourged from reading around; too often they are not being stretched. My experience is that this is a particular problem in post-1992 universities and in colleges of higher education, where there is a separate witure of external system. rate culture of external examning with lower expectations. In any case, the system of validating comparative stan-dards by external examiners is falling apart as institutions pay no heed to criticisms and demand turn-around times which do not allow for adequate moderation of work submitted. This is yet another as-

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eher education

THE statistic cited by Paul Foot which credits this college with 33 pert cent of degrees awarded in the firstclass honours category is, quite simply, incorrect. The actual percentage of first class bonours degrees for the year to which the statistic refers was 1.37. Had this figure been stated it would have under mined, rather than supported the argument that universi-ties and colleges are engaged in the inflation of results in order to secure status and (Dr) Glyn Thurton.

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etters to the Editor may be faxed on 0171 837 4530 or seni by post to 119 Farringdon Road, London EC1R 3ER, and by e-mail to letters/ii guardian.co.uk. We may edit them: shorter ones are more likely to appear.

Women pensioned off

cause of domestic or caring responsibilities were warned not to get too excited by reports that the Government is planning to let them con-tinue their personal pension contributions (with tax relief) while they are at home fulltime, because this might not be true. That is not the main reason for being unexcited. Of more importance is the fact that for the majority of women in this position such proposals are irrelevant be-cause neither they (nor their partners) have sufficient income to make such contribu-tions. For example, even while

they are in *paid* work, half of all mothers earn too little to pay tax and national insurance contributions, let alone paying into a private pension scheme. Moreover, they are more likely than in the past to have a low-paid, or unem-ployed, partner. Conversely, the partners of

high-earning men are more likely to be high earners themselves and less likely to old, and by calculating their

N MONEY Guardian have long periods as full-time wives and mother at home. However they are still a minority. In the UK, the typical mother's life-time earnings are only half those of her childless sister.

Twenty years ago, Barbara Castle recognised that as long as women's earning patterns were different from men's because of their extensive in volvement in caring for chil-dren and other adults — their pensions should be guaranteed by the state. (Beveridge, building on the 1925 pensions legislation, had already done this for married women, using their husband's contribution to pay for a pension worth 60 per cent of the single person's pension.

So, whatever the DSS says of the idea, also mentioned in the article, of extending pen-sion rights to "unemployed" married women, it is already happening and is hardly new.
The scheme embodied in the
1975 Pension Act credited
mothers and other carers with contributions to the same

earnings-related pension (Serps) in earnings averaged over their best 20 years. Had this scheme been built upon, instead of being undermined, by the Government for the past 16 years, many fewer pen-ioners would be facing poverty, either today or in the

One key test of an adequate pension scheme is how well it meets the needs of women, who are, after all, the majority of pensioners — spending per-haps a quarter of their life-time on a pension. The private sector in general, and the per-sonal pensions system in par-ticular, fails this test. Only a state scheme can in-corporate the redistribution of

resources necessary to end the penalty of poverty facing those who contribute most to caring for past and future gen-erations. The Labour Party, in its current deliberations about pensions policy, would do well to remember this. (Prof) Hilary Land. Professor of Family Policy and Child Welfare, University of Bristol, 8 Woodland Road,



A suitable case for Mr Branson

and Brussels substantially (Forget the booze cruise, May 22) and state that their deals tremendous potential for growth." I only hope that other aspects of the service

Having returned from Paris recently, and wishing to spend the day in London before catching a sleeper to Pen-zance, I decided to place my luggage in their 24-hour lug-gage lockers. Of course, when

WAS interested to read that I returned at 11.30pm every-Richard Branson and his thing was locked. The luggage consortium plan to reduce had to be left and the Eurostar return fares to Paris following day my daughter had to be left and the following day my daughter had to extricate it for me and send it on by British Rall Red Star at a cost of £26.

Eurostar's customer relations assistant is totally unconcerned about my complaints and has refused any form of recompense. Her last letter says: "Nevertheless, [we] hope we can welcome you on board Eurostar in the near

Write on

RANK Keating's article (No happy medium for ghost writers, May 24) missed one essential point. Isn't it time to eliminate ghost writers in the publication of books, to whom ack-nowledgement is not always given by the "author". If the professional sportsman is literate, he has the potential to write a book or a newspaper article; if not, he may articulate his views in a wide range of other media channels, L Robinson.

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EAM disappointed that Ode to Joy was chosen for the football championships (An ode response. Leader. May 27), not for jingoistic reasons but because more appropriate music could have been chosen. My proposal is Bel-shazzar's Feast, not only because this is equally stirring music, but because it contains a well-known central message which some football supporters might take to

Of course the pedigree of William Walton is impecca-ble since he was born in Old-ham, the centre of Britain, Roll over, Beethoven! Roy S Lehrle. 98 Presthope Road Birmingham B29 4NL.

Cry freedom for a hero.

T IS right that the Labour Party NEC should have rejected the parliamentary candidature of John LLoyd, someone who seems to have been less than transparent about his involvement with the fate of anti-aparthed activists in South Africa (Rebels told to toe line, May 23). However, it is not time for the party to address the gross malireatment of David Kitson, a British hero and victim, if

ver there was one? One of the longest serving prisoners of apartheid South Africa, he served 20 years in their jails, returning to Lon-don in 1984. He began a lectureship at Ruskin College Oxford, arranged and funded by the technical and salaried

staffs' association, Tass. But South African agents in-side the ANC in Britain had been at work even before his release. Through a process of obscure political treachery they instigated the suspension from the ANC of both David and Norma Kitson, blackened their name throughout the ANC, the British Anti-Apart-heid Movement and his union. As a result, the union with-

drew his funding.
Deprived of his job and his chance of a pension, the Kitsons moved to Zimbawbw Since then, their suspension from the ANC has been withdrawn, and David has been embraced by Nelson Mandela and dubbed a "stalwart of the ANC". He has been made Ruskin College's first emeritus scholar, but the union's suc-cessor. MSF, continues to re-fuse to honour their promise to help him build a new life.

What a disgrace to the union and the British labour movement that a distin-guished hero should have to exist on charity. And has the Labour Party nothing to say? Henry and Mary Barnett. 2 Southern Road. London N2 9LE.

TODAY is Amnesty Interna-tional Forget-me-not Day and marks the 35th anniver-sary of the founding of Amnesty. Yet, in spite of its fine work in campaigning for prisoners of conscience, the organisation is banned from broadcasing on radio or television. The reason given is that Amnesty is deemed by those who upheld the ban in the High Court to be "political". Political parties are allowed to broadcast on television, and rightly so, so why can the same facility not be afforded to an organisation whose aims are entirely compassionate?
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Lessons of the Liverpool nightmare ETER Preston makes important points about why the dream failed. There was

WHAT I was looking for in architects do need to address Peter Preston's article on themselves to a few pertinent Liverpool (When the planners

largely unskilled and semi-skilled labour. One of the reasons is that the compulsory education provided by the state has consistently failed to heighten awareness among its recipients. Consequently, the city's crime rate among its school-leavers is among the highest almost anywhere.

To invest in roads and tun-nels ahead of education and suitable youth programmes is to put the cart before the horse. The task of providing an infrastructure of highways tunnels and hotels for largely private businesses and enterprises should have been left to themselves if they were genuinely interested in the future of this city.

East, where investment in about ourselves? He gives the high levels of compulsory edu-cation is well ahead of those in troit. Build cities round cars infrastructures of highways, and roads and the life goes out tunnels and hotels. Training of them. The people and the is also an essential part of their programme shared by the state and enterprises.

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questions:

social engineering. What we got was a mere catalogue of well-known failures.

Liverpool remains a city of largely unskilled and semi-skilled labour. heart and remove lively com-

> amenities? How is one to feel confident about the future of a city if its police chief appeals, as he did. safety of its force?
> The depopulation of Liver-

munities to newly-built towns

with hardly any comparable

pool could not have been better planned. Biman Ghosh. School of Electrical Engineer ing, Electronics and Physics, Liverpool John Moores University, Byrom Street.

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One has only to look at the tiger economies in the Far does Liverpool tell us

planning became anathema. Even the Guardian dispensed with its planning correspon-Our big cities and the people who live there deserve more than a fin de siccle sense of weary bemusement and de-tachment. They have been illserved by the years of ram-pant individualism. Cities are a collective experience and a collective responsibility. That is why they need planning and

too much shabby, cost-cutting;

monster roads truncated the city, speeding people and jobs out. Local government was reviled and diminished while

vision. But the planning profession learnt hard lessons from the ashes of its dreams of the 1960s. It has put them into practice, so that there are clear signs of revival in many of our big cities. Town planning today is providing a prac-tical vision for our big cities, as places that must provide quality living places for a much more diverse population than we knew in the 1960s.

(Prof) Cliff Hague. The Royal Town Planning

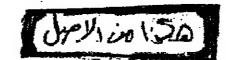
A Country Diary

CHESHIRE: Since mid-April already in full bloom on most the blackthorns in the hedge May Days, but in that year village, have provided a splendid display of densely-packed, small, pure white flowers, contrasting sharply with dark stores and with dark stems and twigs. As the blossom usually appears at the time when our weather can be dominated by bitter east winds, a cold spring such as that experienced this year is known in some time. is known in some parts as a "blackthorn winter." Now the petals are fading fast as the fresh, dull-green leaves emerge and, if the early flying bees have been industrious. We can look forward to an autumn harvest of small blackish plums, with a bluish blacky the slage The blacky bloom - the sloes. The blackthorns' seasonal successor amongst the flowering shrubs is the hawthorn or May tree, that ancient symbol of the change in season from spring to summer, and the centrepiece of many of our ancestor's May Day celebrations.

Before 1752 the hawthorn was

rows along the lanes, and the new-style calendar was across the fields around the adopted and May Day now comes 11 days earlier — in our corner of Cheshire we see it at its best during June in most years. There is no early blossom this year and, al-though the bread and dant supply, the tight buds are still reluctant to burst into bloom. In the valley, the woodland has finally turned into spring with bluebells, wood anennomes and ransoms in full flower. In some of the open, grassy spaces the stars of greater stitchwort have suddenly appeared, one of the prettiest sights amongst the May plants, being a mass of grass-like stems and leaves topped by gleaming white, clear-cut flowers. But its stems are both weak, needing support from surrounding vegetation to reach any height, and brittle, snapping easily where the leaves are attached.

J M THOMPSON



Natthew Norman

EWS reaches us of an obscure piece of legislation with terrifying inplications for the hotel industry. On a recent trip to Nanchester, I stayed at the lortland Thistle hotel, which is said to be the city's inest. And no proposer. which is said to be the city's inest. And no wonder. A nere £120 per night rents a coom perfectly proportioned for the agoraphobic and a bath designed for a dwarf with no legs. So much for the pluses. At 11.30pm one night, I got back to the hotel with two friends, who wanted to come in for a coffee. However, a bouncer blocked the door, saying that residents only were allowed in after 11pm—an oddity for a business hotel. allowed in after 1 lpm—an oddity for a business hotel, maybe, but one swiftly confirmed by a Miss Eborall, the duty manager. "They can't come in," she said. Why not? "It's the law," she said. Which law, we wondered. "The Fire Protection Act." she said. "197?" I'm. Act," she said, "1971". I'm sorry? "The Fire Protection Act," she repeated, "1971", And that was that. No doubt the Thistle press office will supply a copy of the Act later today, in compliance with section 7, sub-section 2a (para 3) of the Outra-geous Cobblers (Basil Fawlty and Associated Ho-teliers) Act, 1996.

N important lesson in economics comes from the underrated political thinker Anthea Turner in Bella magazine. "Every time a cigarette butt goes out of the window, every time people drop sweet wrappers and crisp packets, it costs millions and millions," says Anthea.
"And these are the exact
same people who complain,
'My children haven't got a
computer'. These pathetic people forget," she adds,
"that they are all partners
in Great Britain Limited."

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for a hero

N today's reading from Major, Major (Memories of an Older Brother), we come to the chapter simply called Butlins, Terry first went with Shirley, he reveals, to the camp at Bognor in 1975, and from then on missed only three years until 1990. "One year," Terry recalls, "they made a mistake and booked us into Yellow Camp instead of Blue Camp. Conservative as always, I wasn't happy about this change at first, but later I came to prefer this time, although it was further away from the theatre." Terry disapproved of some changes ("I didn't approve of moving the film from the evening to the afternoon"), but by no means all. "I have nothing against the Agreenteeh water world or the shop ping plaza with trendy eateries," he writes.

CERTAIN PC House, of the Newton Abbot dog section has been having mechanical problems with his van. reports Police magazine. Having repeatedly been unable to get it up to normal speed, Constable House finally despaired, and took it into the police workshop at Exeter. Only thanks to the expertise of the chief mechanic was the fault diagnosed: PC House's van is running well once again, now that he has removed the mat beneath the accelerator.

HE new issue of OK! arrives, and with it Brandreth's Brainstorm, the winsome Chester MP's puzzle page. Game 1. Blockheads, is tip top, and "Libel" is an absolute hoot (Will Carling's teammates call him Bumface!), but best of all is Celebrity Square. This week's famous faces are Brian Clough, Tom Hanks and Woody Allen, and Gyles says: "Two of them will help name the third. Can you spot the link?" No. Gyles, I can't — so thank heaven for the answer at the foot of the page: "Brian Clough used to manage Nottingham For-est, while Tom Hanks starred as Forrest Gump," writes Gyles. "They both lead to Woody Allen." Bril-liant. Absolutely brilliant.

T is six weeks since the newly privatised Diary invoiced Michael Winner £470 for mentioning his jumbo knickers, and no monies have yet been received. Unless the account is settled by Friday, I will instruct the bailiffs to distrain goods to the value. Michael Winner has been charged £300, plus VAT, for this reminder.



How beef drove the Government mad

Commentary Hugo

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OGER Freeman sounds like a man of reason. Gilding untruffled through the beef interviews, he is not deflected by the slightest suggestion that the Government's policy is other than calm and escentially collabo.

Among the others are newspaper editors. Leave aside, for once, the Tory tabloids, whose connection with reality is limited to that which they can create and call their own. Consider the sentinels and reasoners at the Daily Telegraph and the Times who last week abandoned any role as smides. counsellors and deflected by the slightest suggestion that the Government's policy is other than calm and, essentially, collaborative. As the man of iron in charge of beef, by whom Douglas Hogg has been displaced from all but the title of Minister of Agriculture, he is not completely convincing. His bed-side smootheries don't seem to match the moment. At least Mr Hogg personities a little of the lu-

ment's perception of reality, has not been fully gauged. Perceived as the birth-place of the Conservative remaissance, the BSE crisis exhibits a derangment from which repose can surely be found only in the grave. When governments fall apart like this, we learn that politicians are not the only candidates for the asylum.

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do no such thing.

There may soon be a shift against Labour in the polls. For Labour has begun to emerge from fan-His bed-side smootheries don't seem to match the moment. At least Mr Hogg personifies a little of the lunacy that beef has unleashed through the entire Conservative system. There was a kind of congruence there. Mr Freeman, parading under his absurdity-title, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, comes from another planet. Even now, the extent of this otherness, this distance between reality and the Govern-

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it cannot emerge from an artificial ceasefire controlled

only by terrorists.
Non-violent Irish nationalism is motivated by a constitutional imperative to absorb the territory of Northern Ireland. The Republic has very patent, selfish, economic strategic interests in the acquisition of its claimed "fourth green field". Under the 1985 Anglo-Irish Agreement the Barrublic has unite extensive. Republic has quite extensive powers which it exploits unashamedly in its role as a lobbyist for Northern nationalists, with whom it shares the common goal of Irish unity. Outside this constitutional fold exists Sinn Fein/IRA, also committed to a united Ireland, republicanism which is unre-

strained by democracy.

Peaceful nationalists have hanked the political proceeds of their violent fellow travellers, at the same time as con-demning the methods by which those proceeds were ob-tained. All constitutional na-tionalists wish the violence to its cessation is a political my hope, therefore, is that the proval of democrats.

Albert Perpedde and John

Albert Reynolds and John Hume encouraged Sinn Fein-/IRA to call a ceasefire on the premise that a pan-nationalist government (not the Unionists) an agreement which would effectively ensure the re-unification of the national

tional" upon its non-violent fellow travellers delivering Irish unity.

The Irish government pres-ently views decommissioning as an end product of a political settlement rather than a seras an end product of a political settlement, rather than a pre-requisite for participation in democratic negotiations. This reflects a shared nationalist view that the peace process is erected upon a ceasefire over which democrats can have no control. The price of feneral control. which democrats can have no control. The price of "cease-fire peace" is concession to the IRA demand of Irish unity, or at least a positive move in that direction. Since constitutional nationalists also seek to move on a similar path the move on a similar path, the retention of weapons until an agreement is reached provides negotiating leverage for both. The terror of present danger is replaced by the fear of threat-

ened resumption.
To arrive at any settlement with the pro-union majority, constitutional nationalists must decide whether their priority is a consensus between or a consensus of both violent and non-violent nationalists. That decision requires a choice between the philosophies of two fundamentally distinct schools of nationalist

HE hawks — among whom are numbered Messrs Ahem, Spring and Hume — have the ideal of consolidating the widest poss-ible constituency of nationalist Ireland. Its concerns, which are shared by Sinn Fein, include Irish unity, ethnic solidarity, and the ulti-mate achievement of Ireland's perceived Catholic, Gaelic des-tiny. In this sense the Taoi-seach is not seen as the politi-cal head of a democratic state, car bead of a democratic state, but as the tribal leader of the "Irish Nation". The doves— among whom may be counted the President Mary Robinson, the Taoiseach John Bruton and Pronsies De Rossa, display a commitment to Ireland which goes beyond the limits of traditional nationalism. Their attitude is essentially one based on what is both right and in accordance with internationally recognised democratic procedures. Its basic objective is not ethnic union, but political reconcilia-tion. The role of the Taoiseach is that of political head of a modern democratic republic, working for the conditions of political stability in which reconciliation might reason-

to create a unity of democrats rather than one of national ists. The integrity of the 'Trish Nation" must be made secondconsensus representing the ary to the integrity of demo-irish nation in its integrity cratic procedure, if we are all could obtain from the British to lay the basis for a stable and permanent settlement.

Robert McCartney QC is the Ulster Unionist MP for North territory claimed in articles 2 Down. This is the first in a short and 3 of the Irish constitution. series of commentaries by those The RA cassefire always was, involved in the irish peace and will remain, "condi-initiative.



Labour does have a coherent set of polics but too often they are obscured or confused by self-important spin docts, argues Roy Hattersley

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tactics and PR seem to be the party's only real concern— untrue though that allegation

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Judge Bernard Gillis

The lost art of justice

where judicial dinosaurs roamed with noisy severity. and mercy was the court of Judge Bernard Gillis QC, who has died aged 90. "Bernie" Gillis was the son

of a north London rabbi. He as called to the Bar in 1927. and displayed a more than careerist interest in the law by attempting to explain it on standing (unsuccessfully) as a Labour candidate in three general elections. He emerged a squadron leader from war-time service in the RAF, and resumed practice as a crimi-nal defender, with particular expertise in fraud cases. He was appointed an Old Bailey judge in 1964, and retired in

As a defence silk he became famous for his mastery of the art of pleading in mitigation of sentence. This art is now lost, partly as a reaction to over-the-top ("It was one moment of madness") advocacy, and partly because of the pressures on Crown Court judges to hand down "tariff" bences. In the days before home secretaries expected judges to dispense slot machine sentencing, the carefully crafted, controlled pasof a Gillis mitigation could make a real difference.

It was his mercy to a victim of newspaper obloquy which earned Judge Gillis an early

Renzo De Felice

who has died aged 67, such an

vas that he forced Italians to reconsider the most sensitive

period of their history: Mus-solini's dictatorship. What is more, he was still doing so at

a time when Gianfranco

Fini's neo-fascists — or "post-fascists", as they prefer to be

called — were re-emerging as a force to be reckoned with in

De Felice's central belief

was that Mussolini's dictator-

ship had been a much more

complex - and popular -phenomenon than had been

acknowledged. In attempting

to prove his conviction, he challenged the very ideologi-cal underpinnings of the Ital-

For almost half a century, a

rather trite form of anti-

set of beliefs that enabled

Christian Democrats. Repub-licans, Socialists and Commu-

nists to play by a common set

of rules. So it was in the interests of all but a tiny mi-

nority to insist that Italians

had been forced to submit to a

hated tyrant with a farcical

ideology. It was the political correctness of 1945, and has

remained so to this day.

De Felice's achievement

was to challenge that cosy

assumption. What is striking

to a foreigner is how few of

his views would be considered scandalous beyond Italy.

In his unfinished, eight-

volume biography of Musso-lini, De Felice argued that

fascism provided a commo

ian Republic.

Mussolini's

complex critic

ANY of today's Italian intellectuals have stirred up heated debate. But few have had their homes petrol-bombed. What made Professor Renzo De Felice.

intensely controversial figure | which flowed together in sup-

ODAY'S criminal nation. Contrary to public exbarristers recall the pectations, he declined to jail deported. Ironically, it was 1970 as a kind of chine magnate, preferring to Jurassic Park, fine him heavily in return for Oz trial in 1971, whose letter chine magnate, preferring to fine him heavily in return for his plea of guilty and avoidance of the public expense of a year-long trial. Although there is something to be said for this approach (compare the Maxwell proceedings), the mistake was to do the "plea bargain" behind closed doors, so that the sense of it was not understood. There was a feel-ing that a wealthy man had bought his way out of a prison

sentence.
Unlike some of his judicial contemporaries, Gillis had an

He was not an innovator, not a radical, but he was as fair as they came in those days

excellent grasp of the crimi-nal law. He was not an inno-vator and certainly not a radical, but he was as fair as they came in those days. He played a very straight bat when pre-siding over the trial of Peter Hain, privately prosecuted funded by donations from apartheid devotees) for con-spiracy to disrupt the 1969 South African cricket tour. thetically sentenced Oz editor Richard Neville to a £25 fine for possessing cannabis, after Judge Argyle had ordered

economic and cultural force

versially, he argued that some

of its characteristics formed part of the intellectual legacy

But, above all. De Felice

was convinced - as many

foreign observers of the time

fascism enjoyed the consent.

if not the support, of the ma-

jority of the Italian people.

Where perhaps he ventured alone was in implying that that tolerance continued until

the final stages of the war.

Last year, he dismissed the

resistance as a "minority phe-nomenon like the Republic of

Salo". It was almost certainly

that remark which inspired

the Molotov cocktails thrown

at his house last February.

He had a talent for digging out documents. His fellow-writer, Alessandro Galante

Garrone, said he went after

them like "a truffle hound".

But De Felice also drew criticism for the use he made

of those documents. He was repeatedly upbraided for favouring fascist sources over

non-fascist ones. And while his biography of the Duce is unquestionably one of the monumental works of 20th

century Italian historiogra-

phy, it is also among the most

contradictory. Its author's in-

terpretation of several issues can be seen to vary from vol-

ume to volume - and, in

some cases, within the same volume. Nevertheless, few of

congratulating Michael How ard on heavy sentences ap-peared in the Times on the same day as Gillis's obituary. In 1976, Judge Gillis struck a major blow against police corruption. Two men, Rafi Ameer and William Lucas, delivering a large quantity of cannabis to undercover police officers at the Kensington Hilton. They argued that they had been encouraged to commit a crime they would never have contemplated but for incitement from a motorious "agent provocateur", Cornelius Buckley. Gillis, unlike most other judges of the era, decided that the law permitted him to try this allegation, whereupon David May, of the Sunday Times Insight team, tracked down Cornelius (nicknamed appropriately "Con") and persuaded him to give evidence. In the witness box he told an extraordinary story of his work setting up drug busts in Notting Hill, and being rewarded with a share of the seized drugs,

which he was then "licensed" to sell, so long as his profits went to the police.

Gillis believed "Con" and disbelieved the police. He de-clared the evidence against Ameer and Lucas was the "fruit of a poisoned tree", and their trial collapsed. So severe were his strictures against the police that the Director of Public Prosecu-



The Gillis approach vice of "agent provocativas in due course of proved by judges in the of Lords, who preferred their entrapped victims a prison and the police offi

procedures. Senior appellant judges too rarely have an in-stinct for justice based on Bernard Gillis could and should have been one of them. although by remaining a judge at first instance he was

30 other defendants awg | fectual internal discipline | favourite injunction from the trial after similar busts, | procedures, Senior ameliant | Old Testament: "Do Justice. Old Testament: "Do Justice, Love Mercy, And walk hum-bly before your God."

Maisie Fitter

Conservation with style

AISIE FITTER, who has died aged 83, was known both nationed internationally for ork for several volumers. When the success with both Oryx and Species was due to her personal knowledge of the people and issues involved. and internationally for work for several voluner time as editor of Oryx, a under her direction berted journals in the field

laisie was the daughter of local doctor and spent my her early life in Huddeid, West Yorkshire. Shidied history at Bed-for liege, London, and afteduating in 1934 began her salistic career on the the irryman, where she workith its founder, J W

Robe Scott.
Win 1963 she became editobryx, the journal of the F. Preservation Society (Fauna and Flora Internal), it was a rather staid Lation. Under Maisle's Chip it became one of the liest and most highly acted journals in the fieldational and internationa_{ser}vation. Maisie introdu_{ews} values and a sharper into the journal, as well ampaigning on imports conservation issues. Fetance, she published on he first reports on the thto the otter in Britain. Littorial skills. good hum nd spirit were appreciate all who came to know bad many over-seas contris were grate-ful for her ful for her diting skills.
On retirion Oryx in
1982. Maisiated Species. the journal Comion of the World Comion Union

Species greatly helped to underpin the SSC at a time when it was temporarily fashionable in conservation cirservation. She finished not only as one of the commisbut also as an Officer of the Order of the Golden Ark. She was also founder-editor of the bulletin of the Berkshire. Buckinghamshire and

Trust, one of the earliest of the wildlife trusts that now cover the whole country. Later, she became an effective chairman of the trust, at a

time when women chairme were still rather unusual. Maisie's interest in consen vation was paralleled by her great enthuslasm for gardening - an interest which developed during her years at Burford, when she and her husband, naturalist Richard Fitter, both on the staff of the Countryman, lived in the old coaching inn in Sheep Street (which still partly serves as the offices of that journal). From the garden there, with its Cotswold-stone walls and mediar, mulberry and walnu trees, they moved to a garden high in the Chilterns — skil-fully created by another keen gardener to blend with its woodland surroundings, uniting the wild and the cultivated in the style of Gertrude Jekyll.

Jane Fenton

Maisle Fitter, editor and conse vationist, born December 5, 1912; died April 9, 1996

women; between British colo-nialism and the broken lives of banished men".

Felix Hercules, born in Venezuela, had been a champion of the black community in England during the first world war. In 1919, back in the West refused re-entry to Trinidad. Like his father, Frank came to the mother country fuelled

Frank Hercules

Catching the hummingbird

Hercules's To Live In Harlem, an essay on his be-loved adopted home, was published in the National Geo-graphical Magazine. Later, it was read into the Congressio-nal Record. A year earlier the National Association For The Advancement of Colored Advancement of Colored Peoples placed copies of his American Society And The Black Revolution in black colleges across the United States. The novels and essays of Hercules, who has died aged 85, were recognised in the US—but they are virtually unknown in his native Trinidad. Hercules's nath took him to Hercules's path took him to 1940s New York after living in London from 1934 as a lav business for a literary career. Two years later, his first novel Where The Hummingbird Flies, was published.
On his arrival in the US, like other West Indians before

him, Hercules was shocked by "the monolithic institution of white supremacy" and American racism's brubality and blatancy. Three decades later, in American Society and Black Revolution, he recognised not only an overt and institution-alised racism, but the en-grained conscious racist reflex

Hercules's background had familiarised him with the African-American struggle for survival and civil rights. He was just seven, one of five children, when his father, Felix Hercules, was exiled from Trinidad by the colonial au-thorities. "I did not under-stand what had happened to my father, why he was no longer at home, and why my mother walked up and down the house sobbing in the dead of night." When he did under-stand, a connection was British colonialism and the blighted lives of distraught

Indies, he was accused by the Colonial Office of causing Jamaican strikes and riots. It was at this time that he was

by a naive idealism. But the cles to decry the value of intellectual ferment of 1930s species conservation in London had had little effect on intellectual ferment of 1930s. meating English life. After two winters in England, he had divested himself of illusions and had also begun to feel that the education of a colonial barrister had a way of turning a man into "an age of the Imperial oppressor" and "an enemy of human free-dom" — themes that he would take up in Where The Hum-

By the time Frank Hercules left for the US, his marriage to Olive Walke, folk musicologist and founder of Trinidad's La Petite Musicale, was ending The pregnant Olive returned to Trinidad, and their son would be 21 before Frank met him. Arrival in the US ended Hercules's agonising about law studies. He spent the next 10 years as a Harlem busin man with a clothing manufacturer and in insurance. He married Dellora Howard, a

schoolteacher, child of a Trini-

N FEBRUARY, 1977, Frank Hercules's To Live In Har-from San Andres. Olive Walke's artistic commitment nad drawn Frank to her; Dellora's encouragement was to be crucial to his subsequent literary career.
Where The Hummingbird

Flies, set in Trinidad, is a novel of ideas about the colonial situation, but lightened by a complementary comedy. Hercules creates the colonial world of constraints, ecoworld of constraints, eco-nomic misery, social cruelty and longing for escape, but he also animates an absurd milieu where skin colour, hair texture, ethnic features, busi-ness acumen, respectability. and sometimes intelligence have to be carefully weighed before an individual can be given a social acceptability rating. The book begins and rating. The book begins and ends with the indomitable and wonderfully wrought comic character, Mrs James Napo-leon Walker, making a guest

Hercules's bleak view of racist attitudes in the US informed his second novel, I Want A Black Doll, in 1967. A tragic story of a marriage be-tween a white woman and a hlack man, Hercules pene-trated into the psyche of his protagonists, finding the virus of race beyond the power of anything but time, education, and gradual reconstruction to

IS third novel, On Leaving Paradise, turns everything up-side down on his native island. Ribald, and often hilarious, it asserted the gross facts of human biology and psychology, repressed by a co-lonial upbringing and condi-tioning. Its "unsullied male virgin" narrator, exiled from Trinidadian paradise, bound for England, caught in be-tween, left "my guitar, my rum punch, my hammock, my dog, my cane fields, my frangi-pani and immortalle trees, my pour blossoms, four o'clock flowers and sweet-scented ladies of the night..." The clash between the stilted and archaic English that the utterly colonised narrator affects and his natural voice (as above) provides part of the

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Academic honours followed and, at his death, Hercules had completed Sunrise At Midnight, a book about the relationship between Jews and Germans, and left unfin-ished a novel about the slave rings. He is survived by his wife Dellora, his son Eric, and two grandchildren, Abenas and John Shomari, by his son

In Where The Hummingbird Flies. Hercules had remembered and recreated a place, and a people. Fictional character, writer, Felix - his longgone father — and a dark spreading pitch lake came together in the final departure

"It was farewell - who knew? — forever. He passe through the deepening dusk beyond the murk of the lake and away unto the mountains of Trinidad. They were green, be noted, through the haze of his swiftly coursing tears, green and full of hope."

Frank Hercules, writer, born February 12, 1911; died May 6, 1996

Birthdays

Opportunities Commission. 40; Sean French, novelist, 37; Thora Hird, actress, 80; Rachel Kempson, (Lady Red, grave), actress, 86; Sondra Locke, actress and ilm directions. tor, 49; Patrick McNair-Wilson, Conservative MP. 67; Frank Middlemass, actor.

Kamlesh Bahl, chair, Equal | 77; Kylie Minogue, pop singer, 28; Lord Renton, for-mer Conservative minister, 64; Helena Shovelton, chair, National Association of Citi-zens Advice Bureaux, 51; Julian Slade, composer, 66: Dr Charles Saumarez Smith, director, National Portrait Gallery, 42.

Jackdaw



Letterhead

I WOULD like to invite Zoe Heller (LRB. 7 March) or any other reader to comment on the cultural, political and erotic implications of negative hirsuteness as an expres sion of masculine identity, in the light of my own experience. I recently and for the first time underwent total cranial depilation. My Mother spontaneously embraced me, thinking she saw a re-emergence of my neonate self. The politically correct felt they had to shun me, for fear of being thought ideologically unsound. My wife thought it was the New Man

she had been waiting for, for

the last ten years. But by far the most overwhelming response came from the remain-ing females of my acquaintwhom expressed an immediate and pressing desire to "stroke it". "Eroticisation of the male head?" "Lower-toupper body displacement?" (The cruel said I looked like a lick.) Alas, if only I had opted for this hairstyle in those formative playground years that Ms Heller recollects, my maleness might have been very differently constructed. Would anyone like to untangle this mess?

John Cochrane writes to the London Review of Books for

Online angels

advice on the sexual politics of

MISSION STATEMENT Cyber Angels are an all-voluneer Internet safety patrol. Cyber Angels membership unites more than 1,000 users worldwide in 30 countries, sharing a common mission: to be a Cyberspace Neighbour-hood Watch and to fight Interhard to make the Internet a fer place to work and play. We are dedicated to: L. Fighting crime on the Inter-

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eary to preserve their on-

particular the online safety of their children. Online vigilantes in Compute Underground Digest (hon page http://www.soci.niu edu/udigest) Thanks to

researches with a study of the

Jews under fascism, pub-

lished in 1961. The first vol-

ume of his colossal work on

Mussolini came out four years later. The final volume

is said to be complete, but was

awaiting a last revision when

Last autumn, De Felice

gave a preview of his findings which will ensure that they

ally made available. In a book-length interview, pub-

lished last year as Il rosso e il nero, (The Red and The

Black), he claimed to have

discovered that Mussolini

secretly corresponded with Churchill towards the end of

the war, and that he had been

killed — not, as previously believed, by partisans, but by British agents.

Renzo De Felice, historian, born

its author died.

John Hooper

De Pelice began his April 8, 1929; died May 25, 1996

Renzo De Felice . . . challenged assumptions | eux 10 encoud

his critics believed he was ;

motivated by anything but a

determination to get at the truth. Alessandro Galante

Garrone, who was himself a partisan, said last weekend

They will say of him that he

was a crypto-fascist, an

dmirer of the Duce. Com-

Like many rightwing revis-ionists, Renzo De Felice had a

communist past. Indeed, it was not until 1956 that he left the PCL By then, he had come

under the influence of another Marxist, Delio

Cantimori, who had been

sympathetic to fascism in the

1930s, had little time for the caricature of Mussolini's dic-

tatorship which many of his

fellow leftwing historians

were content to accept. He persuaded De Felice, who had been specialising in Italy's

Jacobins, to turn his atten-

tion to the 20th century.

pletely wrong.

Cantimori.

The mum run

GUIDE to Health and Exercise Regimen, especially de-signed for working Mothers of a tired and crabby Running: Not to be attempted unless

the bus is further away from the bus stop than you are, there are at least six people waiting to get on, or your children (without money) have made it before you. Allow 20 minutes recovery time. If you have not had a heart attack within one hour of this attempt, you are unlikely to have one, and it may even do you good. Try not to wheeze too loudly. The dog has the power; you are the one coming up behind

with the chewed-through leash and apologies to pic-nickers, mothers of small

children, owntother rresistible holand park-

(IUCN). Trate to all five continents, scame a fam-iliar figure TUCN's tri-

keepers.
Weightlifting:
To be done dail; ing care
to keep both sidthe body
in balance. Hence bag
should contain t.g food,
the cereal, the wag-up
liquid and the pos. and
the other the soulder. the other the soalder, the eggs, the apply the six-pack of Guinn running while weight g, allow 40 minutes rery and three broken s Aerobics:

Stretching the uppyly is a great aid to wellb Mount the ladder aretch towards the light brake care to (a) pull out ils of the ladder to their mum extent; (b) turn off ther at the switch. It is no good idea to hang on , flex, nor to attempt th public view.

Deep breathing: Nothing is more benef than a thorough circui, of air in the pulmonar sages, which enhances, lation and reduces stre You should therefore by.

otherwise scream, as when (a) the dog has taken the mar garine out to the garde again, and buried it: (b) the has done nothing all week but sit outside the house: (c) you

Victorian houses are equipped with sash windows



The Tablet . . . tips for mum

engage with sprocket (or whatever it is) as you intend. If it fails to engage, you may be there some time. Alternatively, try to extract the bottom book from a very tall pile, or the bottom sheet from the mound in the airing cupboard, while also carrying a full cup of coffee, the car keys, £2.40 in small change and, under your arm, an en-cyclopaedia open at the page on nervous diseases. Ann Wroe in The Tablet offers

dow, and hope that rope will

a real alternative to puffing ostentatiously in Lycra through the park in order to get fit.

Micro malaises CASINO: just in case scram-

bling the data on your hard disk isn't enough, casino rubs salt into the wounds by challenging you to a game of Jackpot to win it back. Form: causes keys to beep on certain days of each month. Pretty harmless stuff,

but what form lacks in excitement it makes up for in staying power — it's the world's most commonly occurring virus.

Michaelangelo: although it's not new, you've got to hand it to this four year old virus for sheer terror. In February 1992, antivirus software manufacturer John Mcaffee went on national television warning that Michaelangelo was going to strike down five million machines. The US went into a state of panic. Destroys data by writing gobbledegook to your hard disk.

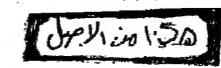
Leprosy: Displays a screen saying "Hellraiser... I'll be back" in huge bloody letters while trying to format the hard disk.

Empire Monkey: Prevents access to hard disk except when virus is active, therefore almost impossible to

ID. identifies computer viruses to be avoided at all costs.

Jackdaw wants your jewels. E-mail jackdaw@guardian, co.uk; fax 0171-713 4366; Jackdaw, The Guardian, 119 Farringdon Road, London ECIR SER.

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Top player loses out in copper market, this page Thursday: Is UK pic cutting the mustard?

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Finance Guardian



Scene and herd . . . On-cow advertising made its debut in a field by the M42 motorway south of Birmingham yesterday, the idea of farmer Harry Goods

ScottishPower hardens stance on water bid

Pauline Springett

COTTISHPOWER was last night putting the finishing touches to a £1.3 billion bid for Southern Water which could be launched as early as today. A team of directors and advisers from ScottishPower vere in London yesterday at the offices of the combany's financial advisers, Barings. It is understood they held detailed negotiations with Southern Water in the hope of wining the board's approval.
Sources close to ScottishPower said the bid would only
be delayed if rival Southern
Electric makes a higher offer.

Shares in Southern Water, whose market value was about £1 billion last week, are likely to soar this morning on anticipation of a bid. They peared to be moving inexora-bly towards an agreed bid.

rival with 'less financial fire-

ern Water confirmed that the is unlikely to face similar company had received more problems. The Scottish group than one bid, and added that a further statement would be made this morning. Southern from a different part of the Electric refused to confirm that it was the "mystery"

emerged as a rival bidder at I takeover battle which pushes | offering Southern Water custhe weekend, ScottishPower | up its price. | tomers a substantial price up its price.

southern companies would make economic sense. Staff The Scottish company is costs could be cut and the new-style utility could make it has no intention of being forced into paying over the odds by the emergence of a job cuts, it could run into positive in the could be cut and the new-style utility could make economic sense. Scan make economic sense. litical opposition

ern Water and ScottishPower would benefit by the addition of a new set of customers country. However, the regional disparity and conse-Second bidder.

The apparent calm with the two companies would also which Southern Water has mean there would be little

cut, possibly as much as 20 per cent. Ofwat is also swiftly returned to the stock public shareholding

Rven if the water and elec-Fair Trading and could also be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission by Trade Secretary Ian Lang.
The emergence of Southern Electric as a bidder for South-

ern Water has come as a sur-prise because the electricity company had been considered a takeover target itself. There had been speculation that National Power was planning thely to soar this morning on other interested party may be of the successful bidder will to revive its bid for the combining on a signal for other bidders to have to obtain the approval of pany. The original offer lossed at 681p last Friday.

Before Southern Electric that it may not be averse to a That would probably involve was referred to the MMC. iob creation.

The IPPR's Dan Corry said: "Some on the left reject EMU because they want a return to old-fash ioned Keynesianism and policies of devaluation. This paper suggests that even if it were feasible, even n it were reasine, such a policy is not the best way to tackle unemploy-ment in the longer term." The authors, Ray Barrell and Nigel Pain, who are members of the National Institute for Economic and Social Research, challenged the critics of monetary union who hark back to Black Wednesday, in Sep-tember 1992, when Britain

es billion. The dramatic exit was to 0.6 per cent.

Think-tank says monetary union will boost jobs

PPONENTS to Brit-ain's membership of a leading think-tank aswould boost employment. that jobs would be destroyed because the strict Masstricht Treaty criteria for membership would hamper the Government's

ability to spend money and set interest rates. But a paper for the insti-tute for Public Policy Re-search said European Mon-etary Union (EMU) would said the authors. bring about lower interest rates which would create a healthy environment for

partly attributed to the Bundesbank's reaction to pushed up German interest rates, meaning Britain and other European countries had to do the same, prolonging recession and fuel-

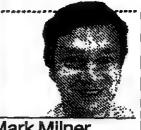
ling unemployment.
"If, as has been sugthe cross of German monetary rectitude, perhaps a European central bank would be able to deal with sudden large shocks better than the Bundesbank,"

They said that if a Euroean central bank had been in charge, then interest cant over the same period. rates in the UK would have

Treaty conditions demand exchange rate stability which should produce lower real interest rates, the authors said. Government deficits would also have to be tightly controlled and reduced to 3 per cent or

less of GDP. The authors calculated that for every 1 per cent reduction in government deficits across Europe, there would be a 0.3 per cent fall in interest rates. Bringing deficits down to 1 per cent was forced to leave the ex-change rate mechanism 3.7 per cent in the UK for and the UK authorities lost 1996) would permanently reduce unemployment by up

Paying for welfare without strings



Mark Milner

AST week, thousands of Parisian workers took to the streets in protest at planned cuts in government spending, including social provision. German public secabout the Bonn government's proposals to slash expendi-ture. In the UK, recent pro-posals from both main parties

welfare state.
One of the immediate causes of governmental parsinony, particularly in France and Germany, is the pressure to meet the criteria for mone-tary union laid down in the Mastricht treaty - two of which set targets for the level of annual government deficits ernment spending and revenues) and the overall level of

There is a growing risk that the idea of monetary union could attract opprobrium as people begin to feel the single currency can only be bought ing. But the root cause of pub-lic spending squeezes lies rather deeper than the rules for monetary union. In ever increasing burden on the welfare elements of govern-

The way in which demogra-phy has undermined the as-sumptions on which structures were originally based is dramatic. Under Beverldge's blueprint for the British welployment has risen because tion would be over 65. Today, we have been crucified on aimost one in five Europeans is over 65 and the proportion is expected to rise to one in four by the middle of the next century. According to OECD projections, health spending could be 40 per cent higher in 2040 than it was in 1980, while the pensions bill will have soared by a staggering 80 per

been lower and output bigher.

Monetary union would also benefit Britain because the Maastricht overly pessimistic—from the point of view of government finances. Governments may raise taxes to fund the extra spending — though critics would argue that the economic impact of higher tax-ation would make such a move counterproductive. Benefits could be cut. In the case of state pension costs, for example, that has already been done in some countries by indexing benefits to prices. rather than wages. Raising the retirement age would also help cut costs. But the ques-tion will only be as to the severity of the problem, not whether there will be one. posed by rising welfare costs

paper published today by the Centre for the Study of Finan-cial Innovation (CSFI). Its author, Andrew Dobson, is a banker by profession and his professional experience is reflected in both his analysis of the problems of welfare funding and their possible solution on a financially sound, long-term basis.

Mr Dobson's assessment of the current position is dampnate a liging

He is critical of vo politicians who have pushed expectations to what he berectly apparent at the point of delivery, though consumers often have too little choice, their true cost is often less

Mr Dobson is also sharph led to the policy trap where an individual simultaneously to save money by targeting the most needy but Mr Doban reckons conditional benefits may not be the best alternative. "Unconditional provision of benefits, though apparently more expensive, can actually help to hold down labour costs, increase abour flexibility and reduce

education or health care, people must choose between state or private sector provi-sion, rather than being able to

enjoy the benefits of both. What is needed, Mr Dobson sion for all who need it, but which offers "additional" benefits, paid for by the beneficiary, over and above a safety net level. It would be more choice but also made them aware of the real costs involved and where neither core nor additional benefits

Mr Dobson's attitude to a solution is characterised by what he calls "state-plus-a-bit approach". While the state undertakes to provide "core" welfare services, individuals would have what he calls a Personal Welfare Plan (PWP), a personal fund, backed by tax incentives, which they would be encouraged to set up at 18. Its use would not be tied to a single defined purpose but could be used for a range of benefits; pensions, health-care, education, even unemployment or the costs of the care of dependent relatives.

The author acknowledge there are difficulties in imple menting his proposals and there are others he does not address. But Mr Dobson is at east tackling the key issue of how to pay for a system which still provides resources

for a basic minimum level of

Top player admits losing out in turbulent copper market

is addressed in an innovative | welfare, unconditionally.

Patrick Department

ONE of the biggest players in the world copper mar-ket, Ashley Levett, who pays himself an annual salary of 515 million, has revealed he lost money by dealing in the metal over the last 12 months. Mr Levett, who set up Winchester Commodities with partner Charles Vincent, disclosed that he was now concentrating on trading in the foreign exchange market and dealing in grain.

Although Mr Levett has resigned as a director, he still retains a half share in Winchester and continues to trade in the market from Monago

His comments on copper will be closely studied by the market because of his reputation as a key commodity player and the turbulence of

Speaking on BBC Radio 5 Live's Financial World and reward. You've got to recently took over for understand the downside". \$2.5 million.

vative in its approach than it was during the 1980s, Mr Levett insisted: "The markets have still got enormous potential. You have only got to look at what the Dow Jones and Standard & Poors [market indices) are doing. And if you look at grain charts, you can have enormous momentum in those markets. If you catch one you can make a lot of

the City is much more conser-

Mr Levett and his partner Mr Vincent, who is nicknamed "Copper Fingers" be-cause of his phenomenal success in playing the metals market, came to prominence earlier this year after disclo-sures that they were both earning around £15 million a year, making them among Britain's highest paid direc-

Mr Levett, aged 35, is now living in a luxurious pent-house in Monte Carlo, although his wife and children Live's Financial World are still based in Hampshire.

Tonight in an interview to be broadcast tonight. Mr Levett Mr Levett is concentrating on says the secret of his trading developing Richmond rugby was based on balancing 'risk football club, which he

British firms trailing on environment

Pauline Springett

K COMPANIES are lagging behind their US and Scandinavian counterparts on environmental reporting, according to a survey published today by the accontra KPMC. The study of 165 UK compa-

nies found a big disparity in the depth, detail and fre-

cals, reporting has become an established practice.

reporting between different green issues on their business business sectors.

nancial institutions studied, only two produced a detailed Other industries which are environmental report, while another four mentioned the waking up to the impact of environment in their annual

Of the FTSE 100 companies, 77 now include some sort of environmental comment in clude environmental information as a matter of course.

However, the business sector which seemed to display the greatest disparity of attitude was banking and finance. Of the 17 FTSE 100 financial institutions studied, only two produced a detailed only the NatWest group plantage increasingly important for banks, not only in terms of their own operations but because they can suffer if clients they lend money to are damaged by accusations from environmentalists.

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Carlton to rise above gloom 'Big spenders on way back' . . .

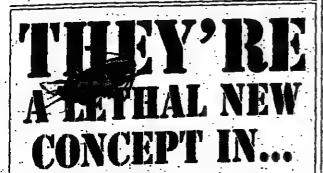
Tony May

THE Carlton Communica-tions media group should have risen above a muted UK to show a jump in half-year profits from £113 million to etween £134 million and £142 million, according to

analysts. The City will also be looking to see how the group, which owns the Carlton and Which Owns the Cathon and Central ITV franchises, is go-ing to expand. It was linked to MAI, until that group merged with United News & Media,

and has been seen as a possible buyer of United's Express newspaper titles.

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ONSUMER spending is set to grow strongly over the next three turn into a proper recovery,

retail specialists said in a report published today. High street spending will be driven by falling unemploy-ment, now standing at 2.18 million, as well as low inter-est rates and boosts to personal income from tax cuts and cash windfalls such as Tessas, according to the retail consultants Verdict.

"This will lead to a sustained recovery in the hous-ing market, always an abso-lute prerequisite of an upturn in Britain's consumer econo-my," the report predicted. Traders will benefit from 25,3 per cent more consumer 25.3 per cent more consumer spending between now and the year 2000, with sales volumes rising by 13.4 per cent over the same period.

By the year 2000, consumers will be spending 2201 billion annually on retail grounds.

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did not expect this recovery will see strong growth on the to return to the conditions back of pre-election tax cuts, that prevailed them. "This 1999 and 2000 will be less will not be a credit-driven buoyant, the report says.

boom," the forecasters said. Massive strides in technol

. . . but not yet at Co-op whose profits remain static at £161m

Martyn Helsull

INGERING uncertain-Lies in the retail sector were underlined yesterday when Britain's most comwhen Britain's most com-prefensive retailer, the Co-operative Movement, dis-closed static profits for a sixth successive year. The Co-op, whose inter-ests range from food super-stores to travel, funerals and banking, and include 4 500 retail outlets, under

4,600 retail outlets, made a surplus of £161 million in surpris of £161. million in 1995 — Just 21 million more than the previous year — on a turnover which rose 4 per cent to £7.8 billion. Turnover was lifted by the first full year inclusion

Retail Services acquired in The figures point to the

consumers. . The Co-op yesterday put a brave face on its results, which were announced to delegates at its annual con-gress in Harrogate, North Yorkshire. It said many individual societies were per forming well and were

The Co-operative Move-ment held its retail market share at 3.8 per cent. Buoy-ant sectors included the

continuing absence of the politically important feelgood factor among British "strongly poised to meet the challenges of what con-tinues to be a tough retail environment".

societies' travel, motor and are set to grow by just 5 per

behind the overall recovery in the sector. Retailers will be able to use data from in-store computers and loyalty cards to tailor their products and production line more closely to demand. Verdict also believes the

personal market for computers is set to take off, growing

in value by 200 per cent and in volume by 300 per cent over the next five years as

computers become cheaper and consumers trade up. Televisions, video casset-terecorders and audio equipment will generate strong growth, the report says. The predicted improvement in the housing market will boost sales of furnishings and DIY materials. These goods would be expected to improve their shares of total retail spending over the next five years, after suffering deressed trading conditions. | copper trading in recent pressed trading conditions. market, however, face a less rosy future, according to the

Verdict report.

Partly due to population changes, sellers of children's wear will be worst off. Sales

Tennis

Stephen Bierley in Paris sees the No. 3 seed one word away from being thrown out in the first round

Swearing Agassi sweats it out Wales have

opening day of the French Open yesterday. Andre Agassi came within a single audible swear word of being thrown out of Roland Garros, and Mary Pierce paraded a startling outfit whose halter top looked likely at any moment to answer the call of gravity.

It was a foul day, cold and frequently wet — a day of drizzle rather than sizzle al-though both Pierce and Agassi, in their different ways, won and raised the tem-perature a degree or two. Agassi's build-up has raised

a number of eyebrows. He has played only two matches on clay this spring, both in Monte Carlo. Although he has been practising on the surface in Paris, there are many who doubt the wisdom of his preparation and the nature of his commitment.
His first-round opponent.

the Spanish qualifier Jacobo Diaz, lost the first set so quickly that the shavenheaded Agassi hardly seemed in danger of getting damp. Diaz was initially over

awed. Certainly the second set saw a radical change as the Spaniard hit far deeper and Agassi's troubles began. He started to fret and was warned for audible swearing.

It is possible, this being France, that Agassi imagined his Anglo-Saxon expletive, issued from the back of the court, would not be picked up. If so, he had forgotten that the umpire Wayne McKewen was

In fact the two clashed some years ago in the US Open when Agassi's spittle landed on McKewen's trouser leg. On that occasion the American apologised profusely for his ack of direction and the matter was overlooked. Perhaps the Australian had been wait ing for his revenge.

Agassi lost the second set tiebreak 9-7 before starting to play with all his old rhythm and power, racing to a 4-0 lead in the third. However, the No. 3 seed was not allowing himself the least margin of error, siming for winners with just about every shot.

Because of this there remained a brittleness to his play which Diaz, running down shot after shot, ex-ploited. Suddenly the Spaniard was back in the match from Agassi rang out. warning. From that moment a muscle-spasm problem that Caroline Dhenin, winning Newcastle just before the older than Henman, always



Back in the groove . . . Pete Sampras, top seed, sweeps to first-round victory over Magnus Gustafsson in Paris yesterday Photograph: Lionel Circhnea

his poor unprotected head. There was an obvious need for compromise, both in his choice of shots and in the subtlety of his language. Agassi took the third set and it was 4 in the fourth when the rain finally drove everybody indoors for nearly 90 minutes On the restart Agassi immediately broke Diaz and the match was over.

Agassi will hope the weather clears up and the courts get a little faster. In contrast Pete Sampras's initial victory was perfectly straightforward. It had been thought the No. 1 seed might have trouble against -Sweden's Magnus Gustafsson but the American's serve quickly slotted into a compulsive groove and he had no difd his second | ilculty at all with his back —

plays Spain's Sergi Bruguera, who is not seeded but who won this title in 1993, when he beat Sampras, and 1994. Monica Seles had not played here since 1993, when

she completed a run of three

successive French titles

Then came the Hamburg

Her return to the court centrale was emotional, with many a broad smile and cheery wave. Yet nobody was quite sure what they were about to see. Since winning the Australian Open earlier this year Seles, suffering from a serious shoulder injury, has hardly played at all.

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Hockey

What has not been exagger ated is the toughness of the draw for Sampras. He next Henman falls at the first

NE DOWN, one to go. Britain's Tim Henthe first round of the French Open yesterday, leaving the Canadian-born Greg Rusedski to keep the Union Jack fluttering bravely at Roland Garros today, writes Stephen Bierley.

Henman, Britain's No. 1, had not played since last month after returning home from the Asian circuit with a virus complaint. initially feared to be glan-

He missed Britain's Davis

time he reached Paris and had hoped for an encourage gian Kris Goosens, ranked No. 106 compared to Hen-It was the third match on

court seven and the blustery wind and gloomy skies must have reminded the 21year-old Henman of many a late spring afternoon back in England. However, there was no comforting soft grass under his feet, only French clay, and he struggled to adapt his game to a only limited experience. , a 18w months I tralis

— whether to attack and when. He was obviously short of match-play and never developed a sus-tained rhythm. It was a disappointing performance.
Rusedski, who lost in the
first round of the Italian Open to the world No. 6 Goran Ivanisevic, plays his first match today, against the Australian qualifler Grant Doyle.

Henman never served

particularly well and was

frequently caught in the

classic clay-court dilemma

itmior for whom the Ausbut he has never quite progressed. There is a familiar ring about that.

emphasised by two tries from the second-row foward Carl Gillespie.

Chamorin, was the pick of the Paris players; they iried hard but looked tired by the end.

Rugby Union

lan Malin on the team to start the tour

fresh look

which defeated France in Cardiff last March to avoid a Five Nations whitewash when they open their eight-match tour of Australia in Perth

tomosrow. Wales will field three unvalues will list infect incapped players against the weakest of the sides they meet on tour. The Pontypridd fullback Crispin Cormack, as expected, replaces Wayne Proctor, who broke his nose in training last weekend. Cormack is joined by the Neath entre John Funnell and the flanker Kingsley Jones, who becomes the first Ebbw Vale player to win a full cap since the hooker Ian Watkins seven

No. 8 Hemi Taylor captains the side, with the four skipper Jonathan Humphreys sitting out this first match as the tourists prepare for two more difficult games against ACT and New South Wales before the first Test against the Wallabies on Saturday week. Wales's coach Kevin Bown

ing is concerned about the lack of full-back cover, with Proctor likely to be unavailable for at least a fortnight. Cormack received a late call-up to the squad only 12 days ago when Llanelli's Justin Thomas pulled out of the party after being injured in the Scarlets' final club match against Cardiff.

But Bowring is confident

out a number of new players and combinations, and giving those players their char

"However, we know it is important to get off to a winning start and we think this team is a good blend. Centres Leigh Davies and John Funnell are both only 20-year-olds but they know all about each other as the Neath pairing."

Bowring said that not all of the squad were considered for the game. The coach has also given the experienced wing leuan Evans a few extra days to recover from a shoulder

stronghold of rugby union, in-clude seven New Zealanders, a Tongan and a Scotsman in their team. Defeat for Wales tomorrow is unthinkable.

 The Ballymena wing James Topping, who played in the recent Peace Internain Dublin, is one of two un-capped players in Ireland's squad for next weekend's World Cup qualifying tourna-ment in Lisbon. Also included is the Bangor and Ulster flanker Kieron Dawson. The No. 8 Ben Cronin, last capped against Scotland at Murray-field in 1995, makes a return to the international scene.

Rugby League

Amone lands a hat-trick as Halifax overwhelm Paris

ASA AMONE, the Hailfax Blue Sox' classy full-back, further undermined Paris St Germain's Super League sea son as he inspired a comfortable 38-10 victory for his side in France yesterday with a hat-trick of tries.

The Blue Sox became the econd Yorkshire club in succession to lower the French colours at the Charlety Stadium, matching Leeds's suc-

cess there a formight ago. It was an error-strewn af-fair in which both sides struggled to find their rhythm, but erior power was

gave a battling display and Amone was also well supported by the centre Graeme Hallas, the hard-working hooker Paul Rowley and the loose forward Simon Bald-

Leading 16-6 at half-time, Halifax went from strength to strength in the second half with John Bentley and Hallas both going over in the corner before the substitute Paul Highton claimed the final try

Patrick Entat, captain in place of the injured Pierre Chamorin, was the pick of the

Bank Holiday results

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Rugby League

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Sport in brief

Cycling

The world champion Graeme Obree overcame an early scare to retain his 4,000 metres pursuit title with the fastest time in the world this year as the four-day National Track Championship series at Manchester ended yesterday. Obree's chain jumped a cog and it took him nine of the 16 laps to get on terms with his rival Rob Hayles. The 30-year-old Scot eventu-ally beat the Portsmouth-

based Hayles by more than eight seconds as he recorded a winning time of 4min 26.293sec. Yorkshire's Sally Boyden retained her women's

Keith Lawrence with his brand new Bashford/Howison 36, Playback, has won Class One of the Rover Series with a day to spare, writes

With four wins from four starts in the inshore races on Loch Fyne, Playback looks set to be top boat of the series overall. The final races, around Olympic-style courses, will be held today.

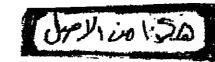
Seven grandmasters are sepa-rated by only a point as the strongest ever tournament moves into its second half at Seville, writes Leonard Ba den. The overnight leader, In-dia's Anand, lost to Kramrik of Russia and now shares first place with Bulgaria's Topalov. The world No. 1 Kasparov

American Football

Tony Vinson set a World League record by rushing for 211 yards in 24 carries as the London Monarchs clawed their way back into World Bowl contention with a 18-13 win over Amsterdam Admirals before 11,000 fans at White Hart Lane, writes Mike Carlson. The win puts London level with Amsterdam and Barcelona; all have won three and lost four.

Cricket

The New Zealanders Chris Cairns and Adam Parore have been fined undisclosed sums and censured for making critical comments of the management during last month's West Indies tour. The pair both withdrew early in the tour with injuries.



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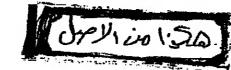
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● Ray Cochrane has chosen Michael Stoute's Double Leaf as his Derby mount in preference to Henry Cecil's Clever Cliche after riding both on the gallops at Newmarket. "Ray rode them in work and felt that Double Leaf was more the Derby horse." said Cochrane's agent, Andrew Gilbert. Double Leaf, quoted at 40-1 by William Hill, finished fifth behind current market leader Glory of Dancer in the Homeowner Dante Stakes at York last time out. "He is a nice horse and if you look at the Dante you would have to think he would have finished much closer to the winner with a clear passage," added Gilbert.

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The state of 2,000, moved three closer to that tally yesterday when saddling an across the card hat-trick from his 13 runners around the country.

Pipe got the ball rolling at Fontwell when The Black Monk landed the opening of the state of

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Racing

Double Trigger on target for repeat in Gold Cup

Chris Hawkins

OUBLE TRIGGER own when strolling home by seven lengths in yesterday's Bonus-print Henry II Stakes at Sandown Park and looks bang on target to win the Ascot Gold

running. With Moonax a non-runner, after being found to be lame in the morning, the opposi-tion was admittedly weak-ened but Double Trigger could do no more than win and be did it in style from the

Jason Weaver judged the pace to perfection and only had to shake up Double Trigger on the home turn to burn off Court of Honour and Asse-sor — useful animals made to look pedestrian by the champion stayer.

Most opposition to him at Ascot will probably come from his year younger brother Double Eclipse who will be ridden by Michael Roberts who returns to this country next week after a stint in Japan. "I don't care which wins as

bit more speed but Trigger

way to beat him is to get him under pressure first. Every time this horse races the commentator says they're queuing up behind but they can't get past. I knew as soon as the chasing jockeys drew their whips it was all over."

Double Trigger beat Double Eclipse by a neck in a wonderful race for the Goodwood Cup over two miles last season but the extra half mile at Ascot should be in favour of the elder sibling.

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the elder sithing.

The surprising aspect of yesterday's race was the opposition in the ring to Double Trigger who looked as if he might start even money favourite at one stage although eventually returned at 5-6, a price which strely made him one of the bets of the season.

season to have him fresh for Royal Ascot and the King's Stand Stakes in which he finished third last year.

"We brought him here after raceourse gallops at Ripon and Thirsk to pump up his tyres for Ascot," said Berry.

"Tve never won a group one race and would love to do it with him so after Ascot we're

tim one of the bets of the eason.

From stamina to speed and the Nunthorpe."

Lucky Di should score gain

the pick of a decent field for the group three Spillers Brigadier Gerard Stakes at Sandown Park tonight,

"I don't care which wins as long as one of them does," bial handsprings at Kempsaid Mark Johnston, the trainer. "Double Eclipse has a fast time in beating subsequent winners Captain Horatius and Florid. Pilway to ride him is sudski looks the danger.

UCKY DI (7.50) appears | line-up for the Winalot National Stakes and recent Goodwood winner Deadly Dudley (8.20), who will like the give in the ground, is just preferred to Daylight

> Soft ground was no problem for Rocky Forum (8.50) at Newbury last time when she won over two miles. The trip is shorter tonight still take some beating.

in Duhai.

John Carroll, the winning rider commented: "He was under par at Ascot last season but feels a lot different and a

lot stronger now."
Carroll completed a 94-1
double when bringing 20-1
chance Biomberg through
late to catch Royal Philosopher in the Whitsun Cup. Trainer James Fanshawe has been out of form but may now send his four-year-old for the Royal Hunt Cup. Also Ascot bound is Moon-

shine Girl who goes for the Queen Mary Stakes after getting up in the final stride to beat Dancing Drop in the EBF Maiden Fillies Stakes.

John Gosden is beginning to see some light at the end of a very drak tunnel and saddled Aerleon Jane to win the Bonusprint Fillies Handicap.

"It's been a grim spring for s." explained Gosden. "Nearly all my good horses have been injured — Satcho, Lord of Men, Pommard and Santillana who looks as if he will be out for the rest of the

Another trainer emerging from a diffi-cult period is Luca Cumani who showed he has lost none of his touch with three-year-olds in big handicaps when sending Migwar to Redcar to capture the Zetland Gold Cup. Cumani watched the race on television at Sandown and but this Deploy filly should was delighted with the riding

Sandown card tonight with guide to the forn

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David Lacey in Hong Kong on the veteran's grace in giving way to Barmby in the likely final squad for Euro 96

Beardsley out to grass

Peter Beardsley World Cup on the strength of a good performance in the Soviet Union. Now he has missed the cut for the 1996 European Championship through another player's prowess in China.

Ten years ago the 25-yearold Beardsley edged Trevor Francis out of Bobby Robson's plans for Mexico. Now Nick Barmby, who at 22 is 13 years Beardsley's junior, has displaced him in Terry Ven-ables's final choice of names

for Euro 96.

Before the England players flew home last night Beardsflew home last night Beards-ley, who won the first of his 59 caps as a substitute in around and realised I was 10

ED dawn, red sunset. Graham Taylor, he said he might not make the Euro impact for England in the Co-midfield have virtually been Beardsley Taylor ignored Beardsley for pean Championship when his lombia game in September, spoken for It will be a major the last European Championthe England B team. Under Robson, Beardsley

> natural foil. But whereas Lineker's international career ended with him tossing the captain's armband aside after Taylor as England went out of the 1992 tournament in Sweden, at least Beardsley's Indian summer has seen the ing Tony Adams threw him the armband in Beijing last Thursday with a quarter of an hour to go.

Egypt at the beginning of years older than everybody else." The Newcastle player view. "Terry has given me 10 more caps and that's 10 I five minutes earlier.

Beardsley had had a hunch

young room-mate scored twice in the 3-0 win against China. "That probably tipped the balance in Nicky's favour," he said. "Had I played the whole game it possibly would have worked the other way, but that's your luck; that's the way football

"Nick's a nice young lad, so genuine, and he just loves football. I look at myself 13 or 14 years ago and I was exactly the same. He just loves play-ing football and getting home to his family and that's the

way I've always been.

"Nothing will change me and hopefully nothing will change him. Some young players can be easily led into doing silly things at silly times, but I would have thought he's wery hard to lead thought he's very hard to lead astray. I was the same. Despite Barmby's initial

some thought his indifferent form for Middlesbrough since the turn of the year would make him a prime candidate

But three things were standing him in good stead even before Beijing: his club manager Bryan Robson's involvement with the squad. Barmby's sharpness in trainland the fact that the England coach knew so much about the youngster he had brought along at Tottenham.

Venables did not confirm

Barmby's selection yesterday in so many words but it is clear that the young Middlesbrough forward now becomes the cover for Teddy Sheringham With Alan Sherman ingham. With Alan Shearer a certainty, that should leave the remaining place up front to be contested by Les Ferdi-nand and Robbie Fowler. Six of the squad places in surprise if Anderton, Gas-coigne, Ince, Platt, Stone and McManaman are not all included in the squad Venables reveals at around 11 am this

Redknapp, Lee, Wise and Wilcox. Robert Lee looks a better bet than Jamie Redknapp, and Jason Wil-cox's natural left foot ought to rule out Dennis

take his disappointment with aqually good grace. But if six of Venables's old Tottenham team — Walker, Campbell, Anderton, Gascoigne, Sheringham and Barmby — end up providing more than 25

This almost certainly means that another two midfield positions lie between

Should Ehiogu, Ferdinand, Redknapp and Wise join Beardsley on the sidelines it is to be hoped that each will



not go down well on Tyneside, especially if the defender Steve Howey turns out to be Newcastle United's only representative in the European

With Gary Pallister, who has been suffering from sciatica, finally being ruled out by Venables here yesterday. Howey's chances of inclusion have certainly improved. Campbell's versatility in de-fence and midfield also makes it very difficult to leave him

Irish anger over Keane

Manchester United's midfielder has been

left out of the Republic of Ireland side for tomorrow's friendly against Portugal at Lansdowne Road even if he arrives at the team's Dublin hotel in the

next 24 hours.

The Double-winning Manchester United midfielder had yesterday still not linked up with the rest of the Irish squad after failing to attend the Republic manager Mick McCarthy's testimonial game between a Republic XI and Celtic on Sunday.

An irritated McCarthy said

last night: "It's hardly my place to go looking for Roy, is it? I sent letters out to all my players with their itinerary, don't see any reason why I should have to chase Roy." Keane has not contacted the Irish camp for the past week. It is believed that he has been on holiday with friends in Italy. Now it is extremely un-likely that he will play against Portugal even if he joins the squad at the last

McCarthy added: "I had hoped that he would arrive today and I would have expected him to train. Now we've just got to wait for him

thy because only last week he

OY KEANE now | captain for the Republic's three-match tour of the United States next month. This seemed an attempt by the manager to improve the midfielder's poor disciplinary

record. Keane had been due to report with the rest of the squad for training in Mona-ghan eight days ago but sent a message to the Football Association of Ireland that he

had a hamstring injury. On Wednesday McCarthy said Keane would join the squad the next day and on Thursday the manager said Friday. But by Sunday there was still no sign of Keane, and after his testimonial McCar-thy said: "I have not had even a phone call about Roy and at this stage of our development that is disappointing.

The veteran central de-fender Paul McGrath is definitely out of tomorrow's match. The Aston Villa player suffered a hamstring injury in Sunday's 3-0 victory, se-cured through goals from Niall Quinn, the Watford teenager David Connolly and Terry Phelan. The Manchester City de-

fender Alan Kernaghan is doubtful after a bout of flu. Scotland's coach Tommy Craig is likely to deploy a 5-4-1 formation to combat Spain's midfield strength in the Uafa Under-21 semi-final

McLaren goes and Scots reel

Patrick Glenn in Miami

prospects of progress-ing successfully through Group A of Euro 96, an experienced former manager of several leading clubs recently offered the wry prediction that "they'll be home before the postcards".

Judging from the form of Craig Brown's team in their past two preparation matches, in Copenhagen last month and against the United States in Hartford on Sunday, the jest contains truth.

The 2-1 defeat by the Americans was less shabby than the performance when the Scots lost 2-0 to Denmark, but there is now real concern about a defence which was Scotland's strong suit during the qualifying series, when they conceded only three

The loss of Alan McLaren has brought an alarming diswas confirmed that the Rangers defender's knee injury will keep him out of the

His understudy, Derek Whyte of Middlesbrough, will play alongside Colin Hendry and Colin Calderwood against Colombia at the Orange Bowl here tomorrow night. The partnership's lack of underthe Americans, and time is short before Scotland's open ing match of the championship, against Holland at Vills Park on June 10.

Whyte will be given another chance against Colombia, but the manager has the option of moving Celtic's Tom Boyd from the wide left posi-

plays for his club. "It's not an excuse, but tiredness was a big part of our failing on Sunday," Whyte said yesterday. "Between the travelling, the heat and the lack of action since the end of the season, a lot of us were feeling it. It really was just in the last 30 minutes that we became a bit ragged."

"Derek plays the same three-man system at Middles-brough as we use.' said Brown. "He knows how it works, it's just a question of familiarising himself with the practice, including matches,

to get the sharpness back.
'Of course we're disappointed by our last two friendlies, but I remember Josef Venglos of Czechoslova kia telling me how they took on three difficult prep matches and lost the lot just before winning the championship itself [in 1976]. Now, I know we're not going to win it but I remain optimistic about our chances of qualifystanding was obvious against | ing from our group."

Contract reward for Kamara

CHRIS KAMARA, a man-ager for only six something magical here months, will be offered a and that is something we lucrative new contract after leading Bradford City to play-off triumph and into the First Division.

City's chairman Geoffrey Richmond and the 38-year-old Kamara will thrash out a deal this week, with Rich-mond saying: "What Chris has achieved is one of the and that is something we want to protect.

"Most of our players have been to other clubs but the bond that Chris has helped forge between them is astonishing."

West Ham's Romanian midfielder Ilie Dumitrescu will miss Euro 96 next has achieved is one of the month with a most remarkable feats in strained leg muscle.

Hockey

Lee unlucky as McGuire wins place in Olympic squad

Pat Rowley

DHIL McGUIRE's long battle to regain fitness was rewarded yesterday when he was included in Britain's Olympic squad. The ain's Orympic Squau. The Teddington defender will not play at full-back as in the 1994 World Cup but will be a ptv-otal player at right-half. where he displaces Guy

The all-English squad of 16 is the same as that which played against Germany on Sunday except that the cap-tain Jason Laslett, on the mend after injury, replaces Jason Lee. It is probably the side that David Whitaker, who resigned as coach last week, had pencilled in.

One can only speculate whether it would have been different had John Copp. the new head coach, been in charge for longer than a week. Certainly he would have been foolish to make radical alterations at this late

Given the players in training, the team is probably the

right one though the versatile Lee seems hard done by. It is sound and experienced rather than brilliant squad. ers all capable of playing in several positions as they will need to do. The corner specialist Ca-lum Giles, so successful in

major events, has been told that he cannot concentrate solely on corner training but must be prepared for outfield play too if necessary.

Slough, the first English club to reach the women's

European Club Championship final, twice levelled with Kampong, the Dutch holders, to draw yesterday's final 2-2 but lost 3-0 on penalties. Sally Eyre (penalty) and Britain's Karen Brown scored. Britain's other representatives, Glasgow Western, failed to win the bronze medal when they were beaten 1-0 by the

hosts, Russelsheim. GREAT BRITAIN SQUAD: GOEL D

Rocca finds the winners' enclosure

David Davies at

Wentworth sees the Italian's nerve hold

OSTANTINO Rocca. an expert in the unning-up, yesterday won the Volvo PGA Championship, the flagship event of

the European tour.

By getting round in 69 for a 14-under-par total, the Italian defeated Nick Faldo and Paul Lawrie by two shots and Jarmo Sandelin, Mark McNulty and Andrew Sherborne by four. Colin Montgomerie, who had set his sights on a 65, had to accept a 69 and the realisation that his practice swings, hit a poor target score would not have pitch at the 17th, and then,

been enough anyway. the best swings in Europe, is probably best known for his histrionics in the Open Championship last year when he holed a huge putt out of the valley of Sin at St Andrews to birdie putt. His four, four surget into a play-off with John Daly. But he came second in that, as he was to do in four other tournaments last year, and there were inevitably questions about his nerve.

But a solid performance in the 1995 Ryder Cup helped said. "has made it shorter and dispel the doubts and yester shorter. But this has been a of the time. He was also able to draw inspiration from an interview published in an Italian newspaper: Faldo had told a reporter that if he had to finish second in a major championship he would not mind if the winner was Rocca. "When I see that he has finished 12 under." smiled Rocca afterwards, "I try to make Faldo happy by

finishing second to me."

Rocca's victory, the biggest in his career, meant a cheque for £166,660 - also the biggest of his career — and moved him up to second place in the Volvo Order of Merit behind lan Woosnam. Both now play in the US Open at Oakland

Parnevik faces cup dilemma

SWEDEN's Jesper Parne-vik has been told that he must rejoin the European tour if he wants to qualify for next year's Ryder Cup. Parnevik, runner-up in the 1994 Open at Turnberry

and runaway winner of last season's Scandinavian Masters, is currently based in the United States and plans to play only five or six events on this side of the Atlantic this year. The on playing weekly: Sherry minimum number of tour- has to wait until the Irish naments for membership is 11. Qualifying for the cup begins in August.

final round with Faldo looming large made the win all the more creditable. The Englishman caught the overnight leaders, Rocca and McNulty, with a birdie at the long 12th and went ahead when he holed a putt of some 11 paces at the 15th. No sooner had he done so than a clattering of ball on bough signalled that Rocca had hit a huge slice off

the 15th tee. It seemed that a familiar fade-out was about to occur. But Rocca found his ball, squeezed it on to the fairway and made a good bogey five: now it all depended on who played the closing holes the

Faldo, after interminable after a huge drive at the 18th. Rocca, possessor of one of dumped an 185-yard six-iron

passed Faldo's five, five and he celebrated joyously. Afterwards Faldo said he would go back to the United States to work on lengthening his swing. "The weather over here these last two weeks," he

in good events like this."

Montgomerie left the course declaiming, in doomladen tones, "the putting, the putting". He had pieced together his last three rounds in 68, 69, 69 without ever performing to standard on the greens. He said that he would go to this week's event in Germany and "work on it until I get it right". He said the same the week before the Masters, the week after the Masters, and at all points since. He should be careful not to talk himself into a com-

can stick. Steve Webster, the leading qualifler at the Tour school, had his best tournament to date and got round in 69 yesterday despite parring the last two holes, both birdie chances. That left him at five under, which was six shots better than the much-publicised Gordon Sherry, who took 74 yesterday and came off the course complaining that he had lost his

Webster, over a foot shorter than the 6ft Sin Sherry, defeated his rival by two shots in the only other event in which they have competed against each other, last year's Open Championship, and since he holds a tour card he Open in five weeks' time be-fore he plays in a European tour event again.

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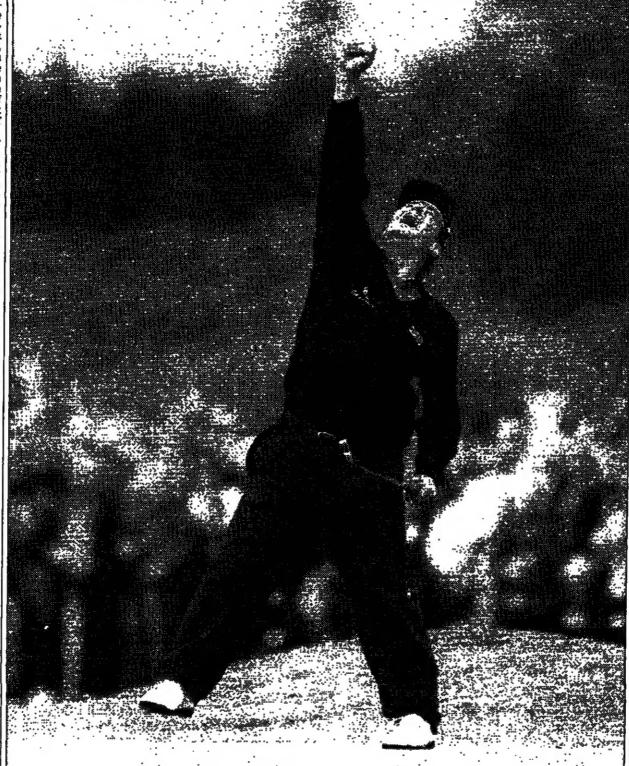
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Pleased as punch . . . Costantino Rocca celebrates his first tournament win since the 1993 French Open ANDREW REDINCTO

Athletics

Modahl feels the bitter heat

Duncan Mackay in Hengelo

IANE MODAHL last night found out how hard it is going to be to reclaim her place among the world's top 800 metres runners. This was her first inter-European Championships and it showed as she finished

ninth in 2min 04.23sec. That is nearly three seconds outside the time she must run if she is to be selected for the Olympics and give her story a happy end-ing. She did not even manage the 2.04.10 she ran in a virtual time trial at Blackburn two weeks ago. "I'm disappointed: I hoped to do better." admitted Modahi, who was cleared of all doping allegations by the International Amateur Athletic Federation two

months ago. The 1990 Commonwealth champion had thrown herself in at the deep end against Holland's Olympic gold medallist Ellen van Langen, who narrowly beat Surinam's Letitita

the temperature remained whipped across the Fanny Blankers-Koen Stadium, Modahl struggled to come to terms with the experience of starting in lanes again and being locked shoulder to shoulder with her fellow Her concentration was not

helped by a false start. Then she was knocked out of her stride more than once in the overcrowded field of 12 and could pick off only Brazil's Luciana Mendes when she finally found the space to get into her running down the home straight. "It's been diffi-cult returning to the competi-tive arena." she said. "Once I start feeling comfortable with athletes, tracks and officials I am sure I can start running well again."

She and her husband Vicente will be hoping for conditions more conducive to fast running in Bratislava tomorrow. There she will be hoping to get closer to the 1.58 87 that Kelly Holmes ran in Lju-Vriesde in 2.01.45. The compe- | bljana on Sunday to confirm | Holmes . . . sharp form

pean Cup team for Madrid. The cold weather also ruined Haile Gebrselassie's attempt to add the 3,000m to the world 5,000 and 10,000 re cord he had set here in the last two years. The Ethiopian, in his last race before the Olympics, finished nine seconds outside Noureddine Morceli's mark as he won in The performance of Steve

5,000m by the winner, Derartu Tulu of Ethiopia. Wyeth

was due to run the 3,000m. Birchfleid's Denise Lewis produced a performance in Gotzis which bodes well for her Olympic chances in the heptathlon. She beat Judy Simpson's 10-year-old UK record by 22 points, finished second to Syria's Ghada Shouaa, the world champion, with a score of 6,645 points and, significantly, beat Sabine Braun of Germany. the European champion.

Smith in the high jump will have embarrassed Britain's

selectors, who overlooked

him for the European Cup. He

won with 2.30m to leap to the top of the European rankings.

Dalton Grant, chosen ahead

of Smith, is badly out of form

and cleared only 2.14 on his

last appearance. Smith's win-ning jump, as so often in his

career, came with his third and final attempt. Alison Wyeth is another

athlete now not going to Madrid. She has been suffering

from stress fractures in both legs and bowed to the inevita-

ble after being lapped in the

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Brown the clown no longer

N ONE of the more ex-travagant swings in sport-ing form and fortune, Alistair Brown yesterday Alistair Brown yesterday shrugged off the embarrassment of his first two one-day internationals to score a match-winning century of uncomplicated power and confidence. Coco the Clown one day, Man of the Match another. another.

Mike Selvey at Old Trafford

The Surrey opener survived some testing new-ball bowling to make 118 from 137 balls as England, two for the loss of Mike Atherton before rain washed out Sunday's play, chased the further 235 they required to win the last of the three matches, and with it the series.

caught at square leg mishooking Javagal Srinath but by then 20 runs were required from six overs with five wickets in hand. A flicker of anxiety came when Matthew May-nard was leg-before to Anil Kumble's final delivery, but Alec Stewart and Chris Lewis finished the job with seven

halls remaining.
The win, coupled with that at Headingley on Saturday and the fact that only the weather denied them a third in the first match at The Oval, represents an immediate resurgence by England after the tribulations of the winter. Throughout this series Atherton's side have

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sense and spirit; bowling to a plan in what were generous conditions for the seamers; and, above all, fielding their socks off.

Now it is up to the team to show that the confidence can be carried over into the Test

outplayed India in all depart-ments: batting with common

series which begins at Edg-baston on Thursday week. There are sure to be changes from this squad for, as Ather-ton said, it was selected exclusively with the one-day matches in mind.

Brown is aware that his performance yesterday was not a passport into the Eng-land middle order for the Tests, that indeed he needed a score to restore his credibility after undergoing torture in the first match and suffering Brown was eventually a second-ball duck at

Headingley. He was stung by press criticism suggesting that his in-nungs at The Oval would not have looked out of place in a circus. "To be honest it hurt a bit, and I was surprised," he said. "I was desperate for big runs at The Oval but I was caught in limbo because I was there to score quickly but the pitch didn't suit and the Indian seam bowling was excep-tionally good. It may have looked odd but I'm not bothered how I look, I care

about scoring runs. "Anyway the hurt went away, I felt good at Leeds de-spite what happened, and I had told the ream after that that I would get a hundred at Old Trafford. The red nose has gone and I've put the unicycle away."

In the first match Brown had shown scant technique against the moving ball, and yesterday Srinath and Prasad once more provided a stern test. But on this occasion there was time for patience, and after 15 overs, the point when fielding restrictions are lifted, he had made only 25 of England's 48 for two. But using a broken bat ("it's a bit springy in the handle but I'm not going to change it") he had begun to get the measure of the attack, clumping out catch to mid-on. Now Brown his drives, working the off was joined by his Surrey col-



side and stepping down the pitch to hit Raju's left-arm pin over long-on to reach his half-century from 69 balls. Shortly afterwards he lost Graeme Hick, with whom he had added 85 in 16 overs for the third wicket. Hick had hit a buge six off Kumble and two fours in his 32 before he checked a drive and lobbed a

league Graham Thorpe, who despite being dropped badly by Azharuddin at slip when nine (some of India's catching has been deplorable) continued his form of Headingley in making 29 in a partnership of 69 before Prasad, swooping in from long-on, ran him out with a direct bit.

In the meantime Brown had cruised into the nineties with nerveless enthusiasm, biffing

for four and then cutting Raju to move on to 99. Three dead bats were followed by a single pushed to the off side and he was able to drink in the ap-plause of the generous crowd. Afterwards there was little doubt that Mark Nicholas would give the Man of the Match award to Brown, citing his effort as indicative of the "energy and boldness of the

Kumble back over his head | England team through the series". There could have been no quibble about David Lloyd's choice of Azbaruddin

as India's Man of the Series; more surprising was Sandeep Patil's nomination of Chris Lewis as England's. But of all the plus points to emerge from this series, the return of Lewis as a potent international force was the most

Watkin takes early wickets

THE annual run-feast at the Avenue Road ground not only failed to materialise but locals suffered the rare sight of a tame draw. It was plain, going to get anywhere near their target of 323 and that Glamorgan lacked the wit to

Glamorgan were without Dale, who sprained his back during bowling practice and will miss today's Benson and

ful 42 and Gibson, who will have a hernia operation this week, added to the collection of the householder at the town end of the ground who

after lunch asked Worcester shire to score 323 in what turned out to be 63 overs but Steve Watkin's first spell ended hopes of victory, of both sides as it proved. He removed Weston, Spiring and Moody in eight balls to reduce

far more effective in one-day competitions than in the

went to an optimistic leg-be-fore shout from Butcher and was so far down the wicket that he could almost have shaken hands with the um-pire. Lampitt enjoyed one escape when he slogged at Croft and was fortunate that the less than nimble Gibson had

more keenly.

County Championship Warwickshire v Leicestershire

Piper stems Pierson tide

Chris Howett at Edgbaston

T TOOK Warwickshire the best part of a day but they rediscovered some backbone just in time to avoid, by the skin of their teeth, a second successive championship defeat. If their captain Dermot Reeve was relieved by was still keen to relieved, he was still keen to ask a hard question or two of his men behind a closed dressing-room door.
Leicestershire, looking to open up a clear lead at the top

of the table, appeared to have the game won when the spinner Adrian Pierson reduced his old county to 196 for eight with 14 overs left Warwick-Shire were only 11 runs ahead at that point and looking at a fourth defeat from five games in all competitions. Asked to survive less than three ses-sions, five of the top six home batsmen had got into the twenties without looking like contributing a match-saving ınnings.

it was left to the wicketkeeper Piper and tail-ender Giles to shut the door on the visitors with an undefeated ninth-wicket stand of 45. Had Maddy not dropped Giles at short leg second ball — he had just snapped up Welch there to give Pierson his fifth wicket — Warwickshire surely would not have survived.

Leicestershire, having made all the running during the opening three days, resumed yesterday on 259 for six and Simmons, their West Indian Test batsman, was in no mood to let his century of Saturday go to waste. Two big sixes off Welch and some withering drives along the floor took him to an unbeaten 143 and gave his side every hope of a maxi-

mun-point victory.

Then Pierson, operating mostly from the City End. claimed important early wickets by sending back Knight, Penney and Ostler. It was only when Proper when was only when Brown, who batted more than 2': hours for his 55, was joined by Reeve that Warwickshire

looked remotely secure. Brown finally went to the left-arm pace of Mulially, who frequently threatened without ever finding a truly consistent line. In the next over. the 69th of Warwickshire's innings. Reeve carelessly at-tempted a dab at Pierson and was held by Nixon behind the

That effectively opened Warwickshire up for the kill, and Welch, in the middle of a bad run with the bat, went second ball to Pierson. But Giles rode his luck and Piper, with some commendable bloody-mindedness and the odd dash of inventive stroke-play, did a job at the death to spare the champions' blushes.

Kent v Yorkshire

Canterbury tale without a plot

David Foot at Canterbury

HIS match could be seen as an acrid revival of the age-old culture chasm that has historically divided these two counties on

Last night it reached a point where all the members of the Kent side agreed to place a bet against Yorkshire in today's Benson and Redges quarterfinal with Surrey at The Oval. You cannot parade your inner feelings more openly that that.

Bad light stopped play Glamorgan v Worcs when Yorkshire were 223 for four in their second innings - a total signifying nothing, gully; at one point he and was made clear by many Kent supporters who left early. In the pavilion others sat with their backs to the play, either watching football on the television or reading books. Pickwick Papers, perhaps; that was another inter-minable tale without any

kind of plot. But Dickens at least wrote of warm fellowship, and there was precious little of that yesterday. Yorkshire had crawled along in protest at the decision of Kent not to declare earlier on Saturday, so refusing to make possible a late run-chase.

And while the St Lawrence ground echoed to the indeco-rous sound of slow-handelapping. Kent added to the sub-plot by using 11 bowlers. They included Steve Marsh, who indifference.

of innocuous impatience. He also held a catch at square leg off Trevor Ward, who had previously taken only two firstclass wickets.

There were more ironies than sweaters on the field. The talented Anthony McGrath demonstrated the mechanical dead bat to such an extent that when he was on 99 Kent, with derisive de-liberation, pushed most of the fielders back to the boundary to eift him a single. McGrath made 101, his first

century for Yorkshire and not one he will cherish. He was dropped twice, at slip and Michael Bevan went b hour without scoring. Yorkshire's captain David

Byas, whose 79 came off 198 concede any argument after-wards. "Because of their failure to declare earlier, after so much time had been lost to gifting a win to Kent."

Maybe Kent's swashbuckling approach in the Sunday league game had hardened Yorkshire's resolve to give nothing away. Nor can it have improved their humour when the off-spinner Ward was given the new ball and dismissed Craig White.

It was the sort of edgy, sur-real match in which the pi-

Lee in form again and Malcolm does the double over Gooch

SHANE LEE, the all- finally took the field at 2pm only bonus points were at South Wales who is in fine stake. form for Somerset, scored a century off 116 balls to guide them to a four-wicket victory over Northamptonshire at Taunton yesterday.

torites Don Beet.
Two quick declarations at the start of the day left the home side needing 330 off a minimum of 89 overs and they made a terrible start when Mark Lathwell fell for a first-ball duck. **But Peter Bowler scored 66** and Marcus Trescothick made 83 before Lee weighed in with his highest first-class score of 113 not out. He hit 11 fours and two sixes. The Australian, whose

lowest score in his first five championship innings for Somerset is 35, steered his side to 330 for six with nine balls to spare. He shared a fifth-wicket stand of 152 with Trescothick, who was with frestothics, who was unlucky to miss out on a century after batting for nearly four hours and hitting eight fours.

Derbyshire's Devon Malcolm completed a double over Graham Googh before

over Graham Gooch before the match against Essex at Derby meandered to an in-evitable draw. The paceman bowled his former England captain for the second time in the match with the first ball of Essex's

second innings.

By then, however, stalemate was inevitable. Four entire sessions had been rain prevented any play be-fore lunch on the final day. By the time the players

Derbyshire finished on 315, 38 runs behind Essex, who after losing Gooch to a full-length ball batted

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Festive Sri Lanka given low profile

David Hopps finds the world champions in a windswept park near Bromlev

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HE Sri Lankans are here, not that the Test and County Cricket Board would care for too many people to know about it. The presence of the World Cup champions in England in the middle of an official tour by India threatens to become a public relations embarrassment the board would rather

For years the board has blithely drawn up its Test rota with insulting disregard for the Sri Lankans, and for years it has largely escaped censure. But the World Cup has changed perceptions, and the TCCB's chief executive A C Smith, soon to retire, can hardly ignore them.
It is a rare motion which

sees Ken Livingstone and John Carlisle on the same side, but such is the case with an early-day motion demand-ing a three-Test series, tabled by the Labour MP for Toot-ing, Tom Cox, and supported by more than 100 MPs. This motion is the brainchild of Ivan Corea, editor of

Sri Lanka Today magazine, who confesses himself "astounded by the positive response", but it will take more than tooting and parping to cause the TCCB to revise its "10-year plan" and improve its offer of a token Test in 1998. Fortunately for the TCCB the English weather yesterday proved itself a staunch supporter of officialdom. At Old Trafford it was dry enough for Ally Brown to stroke his first international 100 while in Kent a foul drizzle-laden wind was battering the vast expanse of Norman Park, off Bromley Common,

Bravely the "Sri Lauka Cavaliers" play-acted a con-test on a rain-soaked park pitch against an International XI, a hotch-potch of past Test players including Alvin Kallicharran, Wasim Raja and Tony Dodemaide Sri Lanka's score of 136 in 15 overs had a World Cup feel about it — or would have, had they not

been bowled out.

This, though, was first and foremost a festival. Every match included several budding Jayasuriyas, all trying to exhibit the same style and pa-nache, and there was the usual collection of lost children. The most plaintive an-nouncement came on behalf of a Sri Lankan youth anxious to contact the girl from a petrol station in Palmers Green. Like many of the anticipated 10,000 crowd, which never quite materialised, she

had probably been put off by the weather. At the end of the match someone pinched a stump as a souvenir and an appeal had to be put out on the Tannov for it to be returned to enable

the next match to begin.
The Sri Lankans had been privately invited to England to grace the festival of cricket, an annual jamboree involving old boys' associations from the Sri Lankan colleges; it is the biggest social event of the year for more than 100,000 expatriates living in England. Life for the World Cup winners has not changed markners has not changed mark-edly; no overnight million-aires here. Aravinda de Silva has a contract to play club cricket in South Africa, and the captain Arjuna Rana-tunga arguably has a status unrivalled in his homeland,

but the rest still await sponsorship deals or profes-sional playing contracts. Today Sri Lanka meet a Commercial Union side at Beckenham, and on Friday they have a more competitive one-day match against Chris Cowdrey's International XI at

Pollock in stitches but fit to play

last four of a major limitedovers competition for the seventh time in six seasons when they meet Glamorgan in today's Benson and Hedges Cup quarter-final in

venue of the Sri Lanka Festi-

WARWICKSHIRE will still without Munton, be aiming to reach the recovering from a broken recovering from a broken arm, but Moles and Small are fit and Pollock will play with five stitches in a leg wound. Glamorgan will be without their all-rounder Dale, who has a damaged sciatic

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to seal a draw

David Pjummer at Abergaverury

long before the final hour, that Worcestershire were not bowl them out.

Hedges quarter-final against Warwickshire in Cardiff. Glamorgan's second innings had centred on a pol-ished 89 by James, his highest championship score of the season. Butcher made a use-

hoards every cricket ball hit into his garden. Cottey's declaration shortly

the visitors to 11 for three. Weston played on, Spiring was trapped leg-before, and Moody middled a short hall to James in the gully who, fearing a groin injury worse than Gibson's, made a smart catch. Curtis made a dashing 42 before falling to a long hop from Thomas, after which Rhodes and Leatherdale gave up the chase against an attack which offered little in the way of temptation and which ex-plained why Glamorgan are

championship. Leatherdale eventually to make ground from mid-on, but kept Rhodes (58) company until the end.

If Glamorgan missed the drive of Maynard, Worcestershire felt the absence of Hick quietly to their first championship draw since September 1994. Gloucestershire

Surrey a target of 309 in two sessions for an unlikely win at Gloucester, but after tea a collapse left the visitors clinging on at 174 for eight by the close. They had been rallied from a desperate posttion by Mark Butcher and the acting captain Adam Hollicake, who put on 84 in 27 overs; both made halfcenturies before falling in successive overs.

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Mike Selvey on the measures open to the TCCB's discipline committee as England's chairman of selectors is called to account

Illingworth on the carpet



worth, the chair-man of the Engmittee of the Test and County Cricket Board to reacted strongly after comanswer charges concerning the serialisation of extracts from his forthcoming book. The news of the summons was given to him yesterday by the board's chief executive Alan Smith, who drove from Old Trafford to Illingworth's

home in Farsley.
With the matter sub judice the board has forbidden him to speak about it. But Illingworth said yesterday that his recent newspaper comments about Derbyshire's West Indian-born fast bowler Devon Malcolm, the subject of the hearing, were "fair and con-structive. I will be defending

strongly". Malcolm was himself taken

to task by the TCCB after lending his name to articles criticising Illingworth early this year. The bowler had ments from Illingworth dur-ing the winter tour of South Africa and had sold his side of the story to a newspaper despite the constraints of his TCCB playing contract, which expressly forbids such comment. Among other things Malcolm inferred that Illingworth's antipathy was racially motivated, although he subsequently denied that

vas his intention. Illingworth's comments, in which he cites Malcolm's in-different new-ball bowling in the final Test against South "When the questions were asked," said Illingworth, "he lacked the spirit and fight expected." But the chairman is not bound by the same contract as the players and so was not obliged to submit his book, One-Man Committee, for vetting by the board be-fore publication on June 13.

The timing of the publica-tion of the articles, as well as their nature, so incensed Der-byshire and Lancashire that they called on the TCCB to refer Illingworth to Gerard Elias QC, chairman of the discipline committee. Elias reckoned there was a case to answer and in turn has referred the matter to the full committee to determine whether there has been any breach of the board's Regula-

tions or Directives:

Illingworth admits that the book is not coming out at a tactful time and could have being referred in this manner and the TCCB will be deter-mined to deal with the matter swiftly, bearing in mind the availability of the 12-man committee, the need for Illingworth to prepare a case, and the summoning of witnesses, who could include the England centrain Mike Attention

land captain Mike Atherton.
Five would constitute a
quorum and Illingworth has
the right to yet the committee's compilation. David Graveney, for example, who tried to oust him from the chairmanship in March, is unlikely to be welcomed. The committee has far-

reaching powers, including dismissal. But although in theory Illingworth could be sacked from the post he has occupied for the past two years, in reality he seems un-likely to receive more than a

waited until his retiremen from office at the end of the season. But the TCCB indi-cates that it is the content, not timing, which will be under

If that is the case, then the treatment handed out to Mal-colm after his articles must Malcolm broke the terms of a contract but was not required to appear before the same discipline committee. No action was taken, although it is believed he donated to charity sum equivalent to that earned from the newspaper.

If there is any consistency in the board's dealings, Illing worth will receive a rap over the knuckles and be allowed

A clown who still hogs the limelight



Richard Williams

HAT IS in Terry today, as he prepares to name his squad for the tournament on . which his reputation as an international manager will

His thoughts can hardly have been put in better order by England's embarrassing tour of the Far East, arranged less for the FA's immediate financial gain than for the long-term benefit of such figures as Mark McCormack, who advises and profits from both the English and Chinese FAs, and his associate Jarvis Astaire, a director of Wembley pic, the managing agents of the Hong Kong stadium in which the match against Golden Selection was played on Sunday.

Begotten in murky circumstances, the trip provided only a superfluous reaffirmation that the country possesses just one player capable of imposing a distinctive character on the game at this level, no mat-ter how incompetent the

When the Ajax hierarchy devised its famous TIPS formula, insisting that the club's footballers must satisfy all four elements of the acronym, they forgot about Paul Gas coigne. Technique? Probably as much as any player in the entire continent. But Intelli-gence, Personality and Speed? While his colleagues strug-

gled in Hong Kong, Gascoigne could be seen sitting among the substitutes. When the tele vision camera closed in, he swiftly demonstrated that the Culture has had no more success than the Eternal City in teaching him the basic elements of grown-up behaviour. He stuck his tongue out at the lens, and kept it out, waggling demonically, as long as the littie red light was illuminated. Seated next to him, Robbie Fowler did the same, an all too

willing apprentice.
At that moment I was reminded that Gascoigne spent several years being advised by a man who, quite recently, asked me if this newspaper would be prepared to offer a fee for an interview with a player. The answer is always no. But on this occa-sion it was the more remarkable for being solicited on be-

point, could not even get a place in the starting line-up of place in the starting line-up in Brentford Reserves. I suppose you could call that an attempt at a fair redistribution of wealth. Or you could call it barmy. And the only thing barmler than Paul Gascoigne is the world in which he lives and moves and has his being. Sometimes there is more to a footballer than four easily defined virtues. As we saw in the pictures from Beijing, where he made a goal for Nick Barmby and then slid home a

sublimely conceived shot of his own, Gascoigne operates on another level of the imagination, which in his case replaces the conventional idea of intelligence. For all his idiotic mugging Gascoigne is far from being thick. Venables is lucky to have him, fit and ready to em

bark on what is probably his own last chance to make a proper sort of mark on the international stage. For whichever 22 Venables chooses, there will be reserva tions about the majority of the players, and the knowl-edge of Gascoigne's inherent quality will be of some

T WOULD be far more comforting, of course, if there to profit from the promptings of the wayward genius. But what is Venables to do about Alan Shearer's failure to score in an England shirt for 20 months? The temptation must be to talk himself into keeping his nerve, trust-ing in the player's prolific Premiership record, holding fast to the belief that the dam will burst sooner or later.

I do not see why it should. It is hard to see where Shearer's next goal is coming from. He is a marvellous finisher for Blackburn (the pair of goals that did for Manchester United at Ewood Park a couple of seasons ago, a bullet header and a rocket shot, could not have been bettered the English centre-forward's art), but international players need an ability to stand on their own feet and there is no evidence that Shearer is capable of finding his own

way out of his difficulties. There must now be a fear that Venables will pick him in the knowledge that if his for-tunes do not improve, the coach can hardly be blamed for the failure of such a gifted player to fulfil himself. Which means that the fate of Alan Shearer — neat, sensible, articulate, sponsor-friendly Shearer — is inextricably linked with that of Paul Gas-coigne, who is none of those things but perhaps holds all their destinies in his hands.

Sidhu walks out on India

NDIA were stunned yesterday when Navjot Sidhu, who had been expected to open the batting in the Test series against England, announced his immediate retirement from international cricket after falling out with the tour

It is believed that Sidhu, a 32-year-old Sikh, is angry about the way he has been handled by the captain Mohammad Azharuddin. Sidhu, who averaged 40.13 from his 36 Tests, was dropped for the final Texco Trophy international at Old Trafford after low scores in the first two ames of the series, which England wrapped up 2-0

Sandeep Patil, the team manager, seid last night that he was making strenuous efforts to persuade Sidhu to reconsider. "I am surprised that he has decided to retire, but we are not forwarding his retirement letter to the Indian board until we have had a chance to sit down with

him tonight when we reach Chelmsford," he said. "I'm sad because he has a lot of cricket left in him. He's a quiet guy who is well about his relationship with the captain. We need him more now because we are not performing particu-

Sidhu would say only: "My dignity would be com-promised if I carried on with this team.

Patil denied that the Sidhu dispute had contributed to India's Texaco Trophy defeat. "We have no ex-

PALACE ROCKED AS O'NEILL'S MEN BOOMERANG BACK



Blue heaven . . . Claridge and Lennon embrace as Leicester's fans put out the flags while Ndah of Palace lies low

First Division play-off final: Crystal Palace 1, Leicester City 2 (aet; 1–1 at 90min)

Claridge clocks in late for City

Paul Weaver at Wembley

EICESTER CITY won football's Golden Boomerang award here yes terday when they booked their return to the Premierbeating Crystal Palace with virtually the last kick of the

Forty seconds into injury time at the end of the extra half-hour. Steve Claridge, a persevering but workaday forward, swung a hopeful boot, connected with his shin and saw the ball fly past the static Palace goalkeeper Mar-tyn. The final whistle blew 11 seconds later.

It was a deserved victory a side who had fallen behind in the 14th minute and, despite playing the better football, only drew level with a Garry Parker penalty 14 minutes before the end of nor-

Everyone was preparing for penalties when Claridge's O'Neill, the Leicester man-ager who has now had four managerial successes at Wembley, had just taken off his first-choice goalkeeper Kevin Poole and replaced him with the 6ft 7in Australian

Kalac, who, it was thought, was a better penalty stopper.
This is the fifth time Leicester have won promotion since This is the fifth time Leicester have won promotion since they were relegated in 1969, establishing their position as one of the game's foremost you artists. This was also their fourth play-off final in five the five they are relegated in 1969, establishing their position as one of the game's foremost your fourth play-off final in five the five the five the first play of final in five the five the first play of final in five the first play of first play of

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hip at the first attempt by years; they lost the first two. | didn't fancy penalties. I think eating Crystal Palace with against Blackburn and Swin-irtually the last kick of the don, and then beat Derby | cide had we lost." County in 1994, only to be rel egated again last May. It can hardly encourage Lelcester that of the eight clubs promoted to the top division via the play-offs since 1988 six

have gone straight back

Before they worry about that, however, their support-ers are entitled to a celebration. Only seven weeks ago there were demonstrations against the club and O'Neill, after the 2-0 defeat by Shef-field United at Filbert Street. O'Neill had to wait eight games for his first league win and Leicester secured a playseason with a 1-0 victory over Watford, their seventh win in

Palace might count themselves unlucky not to have won automatic promotion be-fore finishing third behind Sunderland and Derby --they were 16th when Dave Bassett took charge — but they were second-best here.

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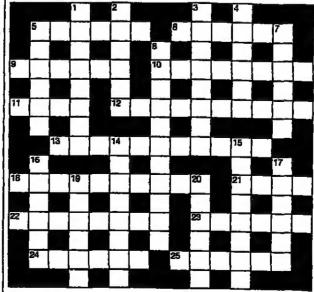
Claridge, 30, who arrived at the club via Portsmouth, Bournemouth, Weymouth. Aldershot. Cambridge, Luton and Cambridge again, said: "The ball just sat up so I decided to hit it. It went in off my shin, the most important goal of my life. 'Bass' came up to me afterwards and I thought he was going to punch me but he kissed me."

Bassett said: "I must have killed a few robins. This has happened to me three times. We deserved to go to penal-

ties." That was not true. Leicester dominated the first half without creating many chances. Palace went ahead early on when Roberts, having started the move, drove firmly inside the left post from Houghton's pass. Palace were unlucky not to score again early in the second half and confirm an unjust win, but Leicester equalised when Edworthy was penalised for his chal lenge on Izzett.

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- 5 Deaf or daft? -- that's a hat
- 6 Niche for a man at bay (6) 9 Bird hopping on calf (6) 10 Fat-head can follow employ-
- ment without being holy nuisance in the home (5-3) 11 King putting weight back on; so is Granny (4)
- 12 When somewhere to write is what we need, distracted cries to anger lead (10) 13 Monarch to whom uneasy
- lies may be attributed (7,4) 18 Gathered from our lad's fig. tree (7,3)

married — to the bottle (6)

22 Oriental joke about a little instant coffee (8) 23 Master with animal is

21 Branch member (4)

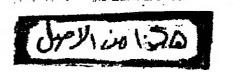
- 24 Seal with a pain put into empty chalet (6) 25 Shiner put companion in need of a stiffener (6)
- Down 1 Trainer turning rough about the old censor (8)
- 2 Fruit crumble for little George and little Arnold (6)
- 3 The wave needed to achieve prosperity (8) 4 Upset mineral and highbell at dance (6)
- 5 Make a show home, perhaps, allowing a French income (6) 7 Goes in front of Queen to measure point on tracks (6) 8 What the fowls eat amounts
- to very little (7-4) 14 Anything H.T. Weaver may have produced (8) 15 Note on gold in a passage

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17 One-time President declares himself to be lying in wait (6) 19 Key cut in the twinkling of

an eye (6) 20 Last actor to go over the top

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